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The Editors Write:

Hi, gang!

We're well on our way into 1946 now. How're your New Year's resolutions holding out? Keeping most of them or backsliding just a bit like most of us did last year?

We received a letter from Harry Johnson, which you'll read in two minutes when you reach the "Readers Write" section of this Editorial Page, and he's a bit dubious about the merits of Sergeant Spook and Jerry. But we have a hunch even he will enjoy the story in this issue for it's certainly a humdinger. How about it? And Lucille Shandy should be happy, for Laura Bradly is very much involved in Dick Cole's adventures this trip. Perhaps Beverly Watson enjoys Blue Bolt more when Marg is around, but we've an idea she'll get a kick out of his trials and tribulations in this issue despite her absence.

We hope you're rolling up those good marks as steadily as usual (?) Guess now that hundreds of our war heroes are back home for keeps and going to school again, you realize just how important an education is.

It's really extremely important, gang, and you should take full advantage of gaining as much knowledge as you possibly can. It will pay in the future, you can bet on that! Many are the successful men who acknowledge that a thorough education would have made their road to success a good deal easier.

Happy Springtime!

Cordially yours,

THE EDITORS

The Readers Write:

Dear Editors:

I like BLUE BOLT best of all the comic books. The stories I like best are Dick Cole, Sergeant Spook, Edison Bell and Old Cap Hawkins' True Tales.

I can hardly wait to get the next issue. The Q's and A's are very helpful for school and you learn a lot from them.

Good luck to you and all your readers.

A reader,
Anton Lizak
Phillips, Wisconsin

Thanks for the good wishes, Anton.

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Dear Editors:

I was very surprised to find a comic book where the readers can express their opinion about it. I think BLUE BOLT is super and the stories are exciting, interesting and amusing. My only criticism is that Krisko and Jasper are sometimes silly. Otherwise all the other stories are wonderful. Dick Cole is my favorite. The Fearless Fellers are amusing and Sergeant Spook is marvelous. BLUE BOLT is exciting and I like him more because a girl is featured in the story, too.

I am going to continue to follow the adventures of the characters of the BLUE BOLT COMICS.

A faithful reader,
Beverly Watson
Fort Worth, Texas

You certainly sound like a real BLUE BOLT fan, Beverly. Thanks for your opinion on our magazine.

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Dear Editors:

Every time there's a new issue of BLUE BOLT out I'm right on hand to buy it. I think all the stories are super duper. When I had a minor operation, my mother brought me BLUE BOLT to read, and I read it over and over. It's interesting, exciting and humorous. You say you're on the lookout for criticism? Well, I have none to make except for Sergeant Spook. I've never seen a real ghost but then it's good reading.

A very faithful reader,
Harry Johnson, Jr.
Compton, California

Frankly, Harry, we've never seen a real ghost either, but we get a kick out of Sgt. Spook ourselves!

Dear Editors:

My brother and I are great comic book fans so when we discovered BLUE BOLT, we were more than pleased to find such a true-to-life issue.

Dick Cole and Sergeant Spook are my favorites. Like many others I think Edison Bell knows too much for his age. I'd love to have more about Laura in Dick Cole because I think girls would be all right to a certain extent in BLUE BOLT.

But all in all BLUE BOLT is utterly super.

A delighted fan,
Lucille Shandy
Roberts, Montana

You'll be seeing plenty of Laura, Lucille. After all, she's Dick's girl!

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Dear Editors:

I have just finished reading the last issue of BLUE BOLT, and I think it's swell. I have no individual favorite for I like the entire book. I like the Q's and A's because they're educational and entertaining at the same time. I think you're swell for having BLUE BOLT Flashes, too, because you take your criticism seriously and try to correct your errors. You're doing a swell job.

A faithful and satisfied reader,
Nick Tamechis
Long Island City, N. Y.

We aim to please, Nick, and when you write in and tell us our mistakes, they're that much easier to fix.

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Dear Editors:

I've been reading some BLUE BOLT comic books and I think they are swell. I like them because they are so full of variety and not as monotonous as some other books. I think every story is swell; but Dick Cole, Blue Bolt and Edison Bell are my favorites. Oh! The Q's and A's are swell, too.

A reader,
Leo Walton
Meriden, Connecticut

Looks like you really enjoy BLUE BOLT, Leo. Glad to hear it! Have you tried making a game out of the Q's and A's, Leo, by asking other boys the questions?

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DICK COLE



IT IS THE THIRD DAY OF THE ICE CARNIVAL AT FARR MILITARY ACADEMY, AND FARR CADETS AND THEIR GUESTS ARE GATHERED TO WITNESS THE MILE SKATING RACE. ONE CADET STANDS SOMEWHAT APART FROM THE CROWD.

JIM WILCOX

AH! HERE THEY COME, AROUND THE ISLAND, ON THE LAST LAP! BARK HALL, TIP DOYER AND DICK COLE LEADING THE FIELD, NECK AND NECK! COME ON, BARK! TIP! BEAT COLE!



AND, NEARBY, STANDS COACH BRADLY'S DAUGHTER, LAURA.

DICK! COME ON, DICK! COME ON!



3 YARDS FROM THE FINISH LINE, DICK PUTS ON AN EXTRA BURST OF SPEED AND... WINS!



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OH, DICK! YOU
WON! I KNEW
YOU WOULD!
YOU'RE SUPER!
... WONDERFUL!

WHOA, LAURA,... UH, AH...
THANK YOU. IT WAS FUN.

LOOK AT THAT SIMPERING, CONCITED SAP!
AND SHE HAS TO BLUBBER ALL OVER
HIM! PAH! IT MAKES ME SICK! I'M
GETTIN' OUT OF HERE! PAH!

THAT COLE'S A... A HOG! NOT CONTENT WITH
WINNING THE SNOWSHOE RACE AND THE SKATE
SAILING RACE, HE HAS TO WIN THE PUSHER
RACE YESTERDAY AND NOW, TODAY, THIS RACE!

LAURA THINKS HE'S SUPER,
THAT'S WHY SHE WON'T
GIVE ME A TUMBLE! IF HE
FLOPPED A COUPLE OF
TIMES, SHE WOULDN'T
THINK HE'S SO HOT,
I BETCHA! OH,
HELLO, CHET.

HYAH, STINKY.
DID YOU---*
SAY, WHAT'S
EATIN' YOU, UH?
WORMS?

NO! A SNAKE NAMED
DICK COLE! CHET,
SOMEBODY OUGHT
TO CUT THAT GUY
DOWN TO SIZE!

I'M ALL FOR IT,
STINKY, BUT... YOU
GOT ANY IDEAS?

NO-O-O... BUT I'M THINKING!
LET'S GO TO MY ROOM, CHET.
MAYBE WE CAN COOK UP A
REAL HOT STEW FOR DEAR
MISTER COLE!

OKAY! AND, IF
WE NEED HELP,
I'M SURE WE
CAN COUNT ON
TIP AND JACK.

Q UESTION
No. 1. Find the misspelled word on this page.

DICK, WHEN YOU WIN THE ICEBOAT RACE SATURDAY, YOU'LL BE THE FIRST CADET IN FARR HISTORY TO MAKE A CLEAN SWEEP OF THE ICE CARNIVAL!

WHY, UH, I HADN'T THOUGHT OF THAT BUT... WELL, I... UH HAVENT WON YET.

YOU'LL WIN. YOU HAVE THAT EXTRA SOMETHING, AND ANYONE WHO FIGHTS AS FAIRLY AND CLEANLY AS YOU ALWAYS DO, DESERVES TO BE TOPS.

THE RACE WILL BE TOUGH. TIP DOYER, JOHNNY BANKS, AND BARK HALL ARE ALL TOP YACHTSMEN.



YOU ALWAYS GIVE THE OTHER FELLOW A BREAK, DICK. THANK YOU FOR SEEING ME HOME.

THERE'S NO REAL HONOR IN A WIN WHEN YOU CUT CORNERS TO DO IT, LAURA.

WELL, DICK, TODAY'S THURSDAY, A TUNE-UP RUN TOMORROW, THEN, SATURDAY, THE BIG EVENT AND YOU BREAK A RECORD, EH?

I'LL ADMIT I'M AIMING FOR IT, SIMBA. THE "LAURA" IS ALL SET, SO HERE'S HOPING!

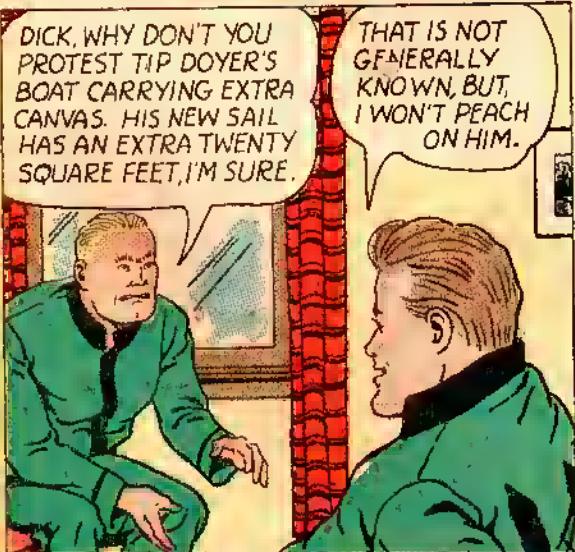
DICK'S ROOM, LATER.

DICK, WHY DON'T YOU PROTEST TIP DOYER'S BOAT CARRYING EXTRA CANVAS. HIS NEW SAIL HAS AN EXTRA TWENTY SQUARE FEET, I'M SURE.

THAT IS NOT GENERALLY KNOWN, BUT, I WON'T PEACH ON HIM.

BUT, HE HAS AN ADVANTAGE. IF HE USES MORE CANVAS, WHY CAN'T YOU? I'VE A MIND TO REPORT HIM!

DON'T, THE "LAURA" CAN TAKE HIM ANY DAY. I WOULDN'T WANT ANY MORE CANVAS AS THE "LAURA" WOULDN'T HANDLE WELL. FORGET IT, SIMBA.



10:30 P.M. STINKY BLACK'S ROOM
CHET! I'VE GOT A PLAN. GET DRESSED, SNEAK DOWN AND GET TIP DOYER AND JOHNNY BANKS. BRING THEM HERE, AND I'LL EXPLAIN MY IDEA. WATCH OUT FOR THE O.D.



STINKY JUMPS OUT OF BED AND HURRIES INTO HIS CLOTHES, THEN, USING A FLASHLIGHT—

I MIGHT AS WELL DO THIS WHILE I'M WAITING FOR 'EM.



TWENTY MINUTES LATER FOUR FIGURES STEAL DOWN THE REAR STAIRS OF THE BARRACKS. AT THE REAR ENTRANCE THEY PAUSE... LISTENING—



IS THE COAST CLEAR, STINKY?

I THINK— WHOA! THE OFFICER OF THE DAY'S RIGHT OVER THERE!

I THINK HE'S WAITIN' TO SEE IF THE SENTRY'S WALKING HIS POST, DOG IT!

IT'S A COLD NIGHT, FELLOWS. I'LL BET THE SENTRY'S HOLED UP AND THE O.D. WILL BE PROWLIN' AROUND FOR SOME TIME, SO, HERE'S THE PLAY, GANG.



MOMENTS LATER THERE IS A SWIFT, SILENT RUSH—



CARRY HIM INSIDE... GAG HIM AND TIE HIM UP WITH YOUR BELTS. WE'LL LET HIM LOOSE WHEN WE GET BACK.



QUESTION No. 2. Are the figures in picture 4 in suffragette, silhouette or croquette?

THE C.D. IS LEFT BOUND IN THE ENTRY AND THE FOUR CADETS DISAPPEAR INTO THE NIGHT TO APPEAR FIFTEEN MINUTES LATER AT THE LAKE FRONT.

IT'S GETTING LATE, GANG. WE'LL HAVE TO WORK FAST.

B-R-R-R... IT'S COLD

THE FOLLOWING AFTERNOON A MESSAGE IS HANDED TO DICK.

CADET COLE. PLEASE REPORT TO MY OFFICE AT 4:00 P.M.
H.H.MARTIN.
CAPT. F.M.A.

DOGGONE! WHAT FOR? THERE GOES MY PRACTICE-SPIN!

SIMBA, OLD MARTIN'S SENT FOR ME. I'LL PROBABLY BE HELD UP. TAKE "LAURA" FOR THE TRIAL.

GLAD TO, DICK.



CAPTAIN MARTIN'S OFFICE, 3:40 P.M.

CAPTAIN MARTIN'S OFFICE, MISS GREEN SPEAKING. PLEASE REPORT TO MAJOR FARR'S OFFICE IMMEDIATELY. THE MAJOR IS OUT FOR A FEW MINUTES, AND I MUST LEAVE, BUT PLEASE WAIT.

CERTAINLY, MISS GREEN.



3:45 P.M. AH, THERE GOES MARTIN.

YOU DID A SWELL JOB IMITATING FARR'S SECRETARY, JOHNNY. OLD FARR AND MISS GREEN WENT TO CENTERVIEW THIS AFTERNOON.



3:55 P.M. WHOOPS! THERE GOES COLE! GEE! THIS PLAN IS WORKING SUPER-DUPER. EH, CHET?



5:30 P.M.

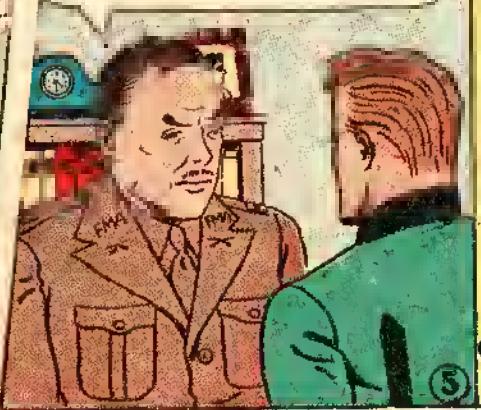
BUT, CAPTAIN MARTIN, NEITHER MISS GREEN NOR I SENT FOR YOU. SOMEBODY IS PLAYING A PRACTICAL JOKE.

IF I FIND OUT WHO IT IS, IT WILL BE TWENTY HOURS QUAD, MAJOR FARR!



5:40 P.M.

CADET COLE, I DIDN'T WRITE THAT NOTE. SOMEBODY'S PLAYING A JOKE ON US... I MEAN YOU. NOW, IT'S NEARLY MESS TIME. DISMISSED.



The figures in picture 4 are in silhouette. ANSWER No. 2 A

AFTER THE
EVENING
MESS —

DICK, THE
"LAURA"
DID NOT
HANDLE WELL. SOM-
ETHING SEEMS WRONG
WITH THE SAIL.

THE SAIL?
HM-M... SAY,
MAYBE MY
BEING DE-
COYED TO
MARTIN'S
OFFICE WAS
NOT JUST A
JOKE.

MAYBE SOME JERK
DIDN'T WANT ME TO
TUNE HER UP YESTER-
DAY... OR, MAYBE THE
"LAURA" HAS BEEN
TAMPERED WITH!
SIMBA! WE'RE GO-
ING DOWN TONIGHT
AND MAKE A CHECK!

ABOUT THIS TIME, LAURA IS
READING A NOTE WHICH WAS
LEFT AT THE FRONT DOOR OF
HER HOUSE.

"GO TO THE
LAKE FRONT ABOUT ELEVEN-
THIRTY TONIGHT AND YOU
WILL SEE HOW DICK COLE
CHEATS TO WIN. P.S. TIP
DOYER'S BOAT HAS THE BEST
SAIL."

A FRIEND."



WHY, OF ALL THE-!!
DICK A CHEAT?
NEVER!... LAKE
FRONT... ELEVEN-
THIRTY... NO, SIR!
I WOULDN'T INSULT
DICK BY SNOOPIN'!

BUT FEMININE CURIOSITY...

I'M JUST GOING TO PROVE
"A FRIEND" WRONG....
I WONDER WHAT THE
SAIL ON TIP DOYER'S
BOAT HAS TO DO WITH
ALL THIS.

AND AT THE LAKE FRONT, WITH ELECTRIC LANTERN

SIMBA! THIS IS NOT THE
"LAURA'S" SAIL. IT'S
MUCH BIGGER, SEE?

YOU'RE RIGHT!
WAIT! I'LL TAKE
A LOOK AT TIP
DOYER'S BOAT.
I'VE A HUNCH!



C'MERE, DICK!
HERE'S YOUR
SAIL ON TIP'S
BOAT, SURE
AS SHOOTIN'!

WHAT! BUT WHO
WOULD CHANGE
THE SAILS? TIP
WOULDN'T WANT
THE SMALL SAIL--
THIS GETS ME!

WE'VE A JOB
AHEAD TO
CHANGE
THESE BACK.
LET'S GO!

OF ALL
THE
SCREW-
BALL
DEALS!

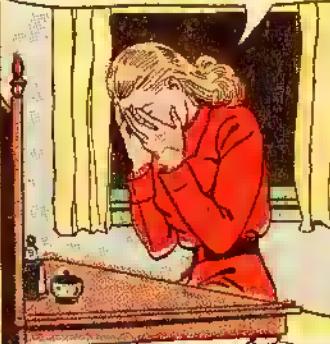
AND FROM THE SHELTER OF
SOME TREES LAURA STARES
AT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BOYS.

WHY, I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!
THEY'RE SWITCHING TIP'S
SAIL! A BETTER SAIL, THE
NOTE SAYS... OH, THIS IS
AWFUL! BO-OH-
HO.. I'M GO-
ING HOME—



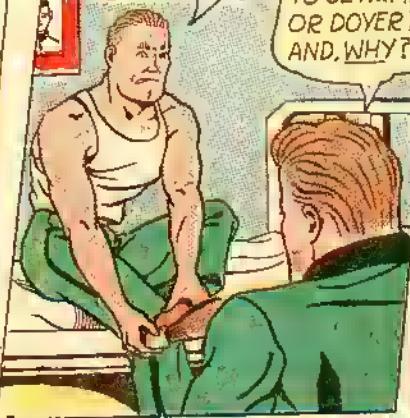
QUESTION
No. 3. Can you find the name of a motion picture on this page?

BACK IN HER ROOM. (SOB) I'M GOING TO REPORT DICK COLE FIRST THING IN THE—NO! I'LL WAIT UNTIL HE WINS THE RACE.. THEN I'LL EXPOSE HIM! HE...HE LET ME DOWN! I—I HATE (SOB) HIM!

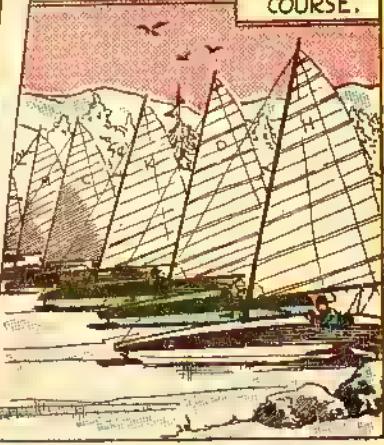


SEVERAL HOURS LATER.
WELL, THE "LAURA'S" OKAY
FOR TOMORROW.

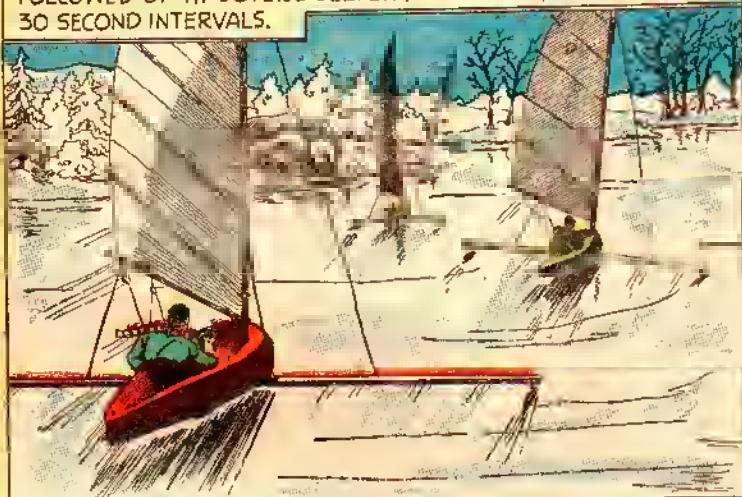
RIGHT, I WONDER WHO THEY WERE OUT TO GET...ME, OR DOYER? AND, WHY?



SATURDAY—FARR LAKE, AND THE START OF THE RACE. EXCITEMENT RUNS HIGH AS THE TEN SKEETERS LINE UP FOR THE THIRTY-MILE COURSE.



THE STARTER'S GUN BARKS, AND BARK HALL'S "CORSAIR" LEADS OFF FOLLOWED BY TIP DOYER'S "JEEPER", THE "LAURA", AND THE REST, AT 30 SECOND INTERVALS.



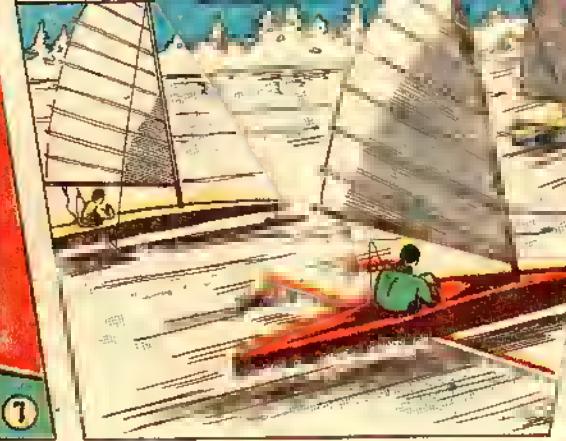
THERE GOES THE "LAURA" AND THE NOBLE DICK COLE! OH, HOW I HOPE YOU WIN...THEN WON'T YOU BE SORRY! I'LL NEVER SPEAK TO HIM AGAIN! NEVER!



LOOK AT LAURA, CHET!
LAST NIGHT AT THE LAKE FRONT SHE BOO-HOO'S OVER DICK, BUT NOW! OH, BOY, IS SHE STEAMED AT HIM!
COLE'S NAME IS M-U-D AT LAST! WHOOPS!



AT THE HALFWAY MARK, TIP'S "JEEPER" BLANKETS THE "CORSAIR" AND AS BARK'S BOAT FALLS OFF, THE "LAURA" PASSES HIM.



BY DEFT SAILING, DICK SWIFTLY DRAWS UP ON TIP DOYER.

C'MON, LAURA!
LET'S SHOW THE "JEEPER" SOME REAL SPEED!



THE LAURA DRAWS
ABREAST OF THE
SPEEDING "JEEPER"-

BARK WON'T CATCH ME.
NOW TO BLANKET COLE,
AND THE RACE IS IN THE
BAG.

BUT, AS THE
JEEPER VEERS
TO THE WIND-
WARD, SUDDEN-
LY, A FIERCE
GUST OF WIND
HITS HER...
SHE HIKES,
STAYS SNAP-
THE MAST
CRASHES
DOWN, AS
DOYER
IS —

SNAP!

ZING!

SWOOSH

ZIP ZIP

CATAPULTED
FROM THE
COCKPIT
ACROSS THE ICE AND —

PLUNK!
INTO AN
ICE HOLE
SOME TEN
YARDS TO
PORT OF
THE LAURA.

SPLASH!

DICK BRINGS THE LAURA"
TO A GRINDING STOP—
SPRINGS FROM THE
COCKPIT, RACES OVER
THE ICE AND —

PLUNGES IN!



WELL, TIP,
YOU'RE COMING ON
FINE! IS THERE ANY-
THING YOU'D LIKE?

THAT NIGHT, IN THE
SCHOOL INFIRMARY.

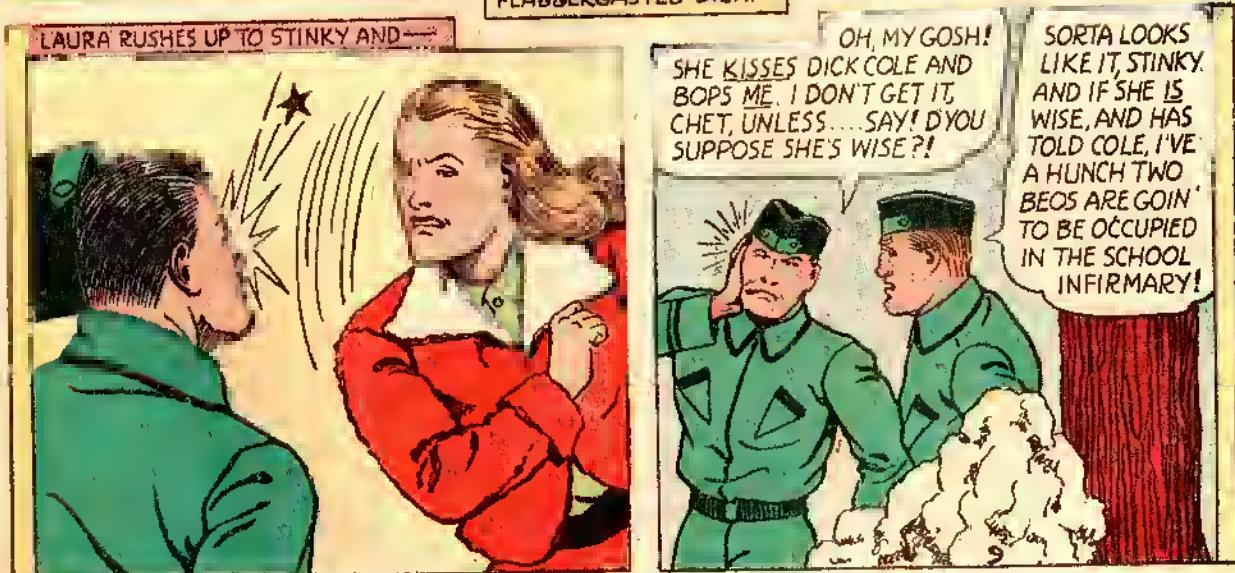
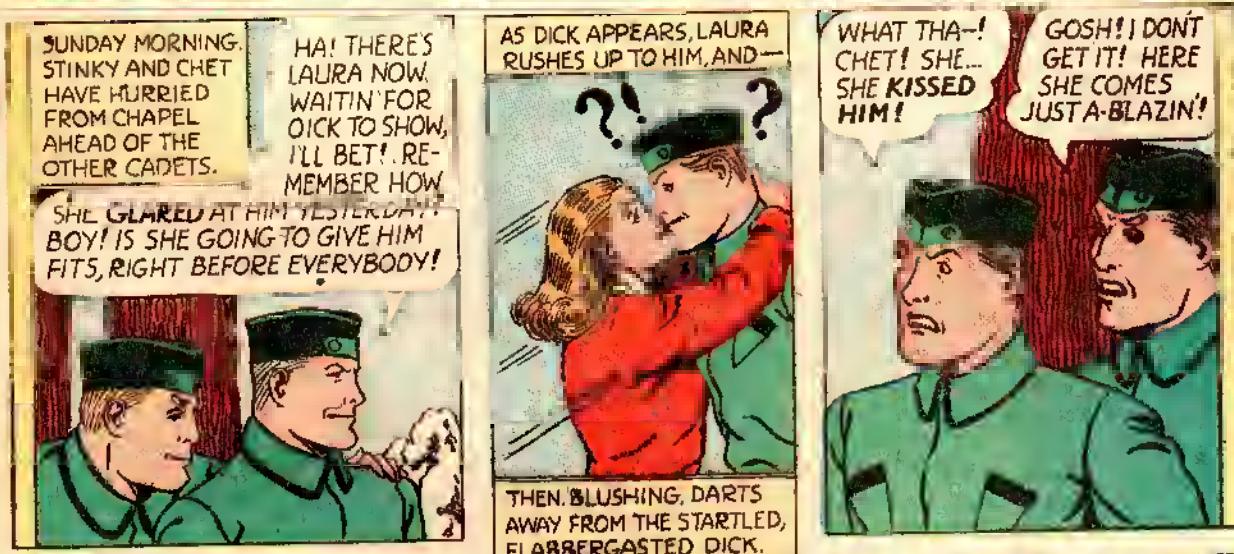
YES, MISS CLARK. I
WANT TO SEE LAURA
BRADLY, NOW. IT'S
VERY IMPORTANT.

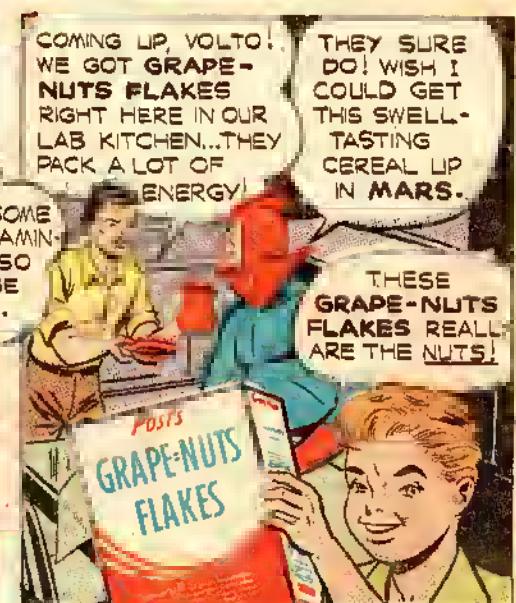


HELLO, TIP. I'M SO
GLAD YOU'RE ALL
RIGHT. YOU WANT
ED TO SEE ME?

YES. SIT DOWN, WON'T YOU?
NOW, BARK HALL WON
THE RACE AND YOU THINK
DICK COLE IS LOWER
THAN A SNAKE, DON'T
YOU? WELL, YOU ARE
ALL WRONG, LAURA.

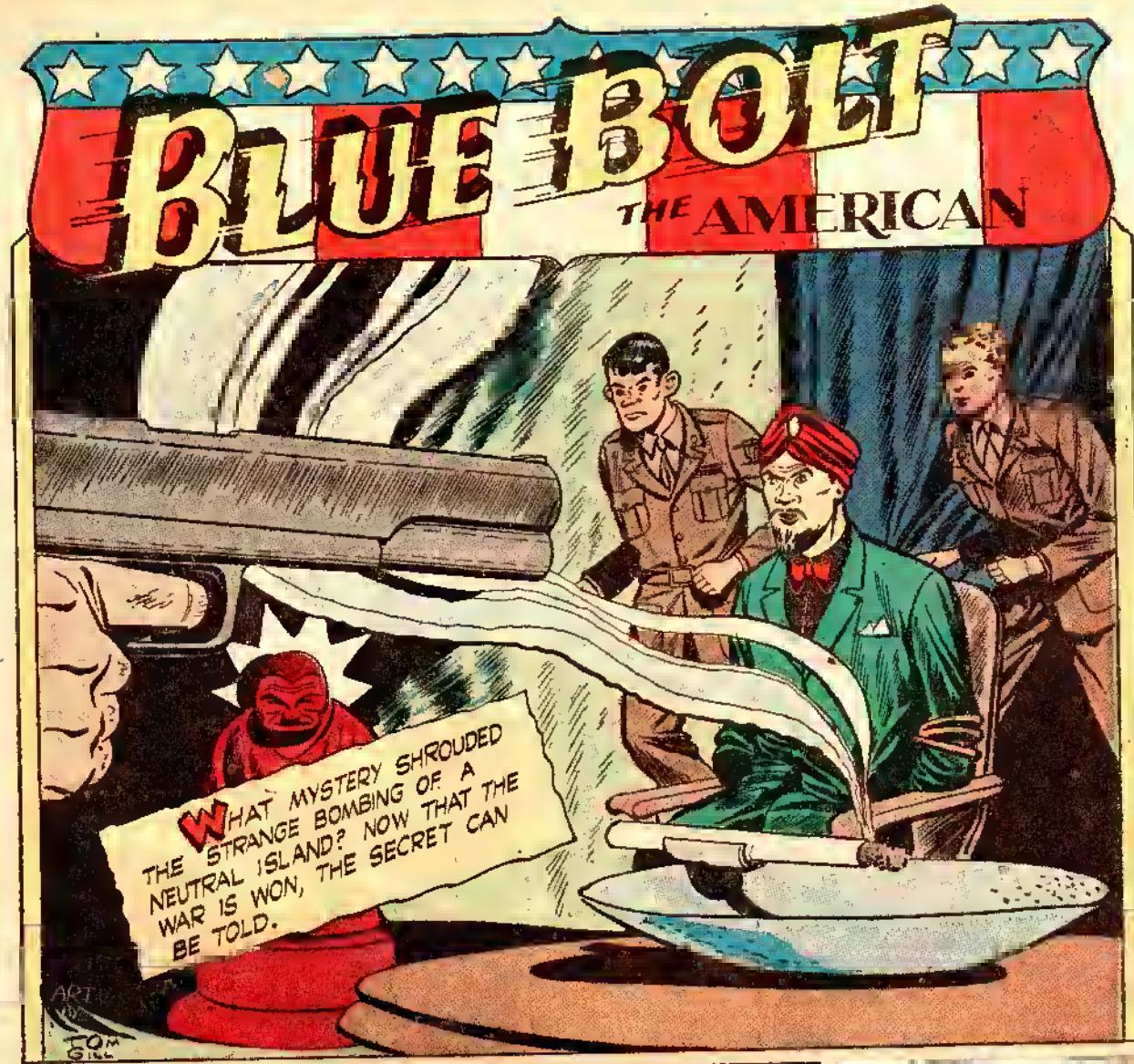






TUNE IN **HOP HARRIGAN**

ABC NETWORK 4⁴⁵ MON. THRU FRI.



American officials call on an island king.

GENTLEMEN, YOU ASK THAT I LEASE YOU AIR BASES ON MY ISLAND. THE JAPANESE WISH THEM, TOO. I HAVE DECIDED...

YES, YOUR MAJESTY?

HAVE A CIGARETTE. I SMOKE ONLY THIS AMERICAN BRAND.

BUT WHAT IS YOUR ANSWER, KING BONORO?

MY ANSWER IS THAT THE FATE OF MY ISLAND LIES WITH THE UNITED NATIONS. I AM READY TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT...



BUT AT THAT VERY MOMENT...

DON'T MISS FRISKY FABLES FOR
THE BEST IN COMIC ENTERTAINMENT.

...PLANES ARE SPEEDING TO THE ISLAND CAPITAL, AND SOON...

YOUR MAJESTY, ONE OF THE PLANES HAS BEEN SHOT DOWN! IT'S AN AMERICAN PLANE!

AMERICAN! SO THAT IS IT! YOU DO NOT WISH TO LEASE BASES! YOU WISH TO DESTROY!

A RAID!
A RAID!

NO--



AMERICAN PLANES
WERE NEVER
ORDERED TO BOMB
YOUR ISLAND. GIVE
US TIME TO
INVESTIGATE.
UNTIL TEN
TOMORROW
MORNING
THEN, IF
THE
EXPLANATION
IS NOT
SATISFACTORI,
I WILL LEASE
THE BASES TO
JAPAN!

BLUE BOLT,
ON DUTY IN THE
SOUTH PACIFIC,
IS HURRIEDLY
SUMMONED TO
BONORO'S
ISLAND... AFTER
A CAREFUL
INSPECTION
OF THE PLANE
SHOT DOWN...

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY...

THAT PLANE WAS
PILOTLESS. IT CONTAINED
AN AUTOMATIC BOMB
RELEASE. THE JAPS
MUST HAVE SENT IT
OUT FROM AN
INSTALLATION
BASE.

GREAT SCOTT!
THEN ALL THOSE
PLANES WERE
ROBOTS WITH
AMERICAN
MARKINGS!



A TYPICAL
JAP TRICK!
BUT HOW CAN
WE CONVINCE
THE KING?

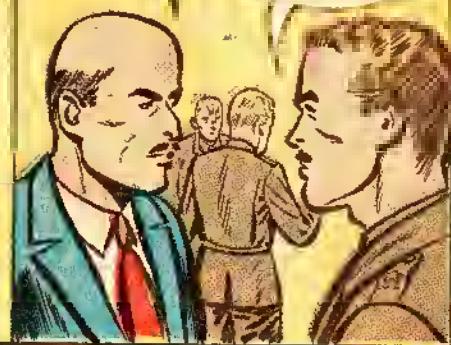
I SUGGEST BLUE
BOLT CALL ON
HIM TOMORROW
WITH A
COMPLETE REPORT.
THAT SHOULD
DO IT!

THE NEXT MOMENT...

WHO'S THAT?
PROBABLY
MY NATIVE
SERVANT.
COME IN!

SUPPER YOU
ORDERED,
SIR.

PUT IT
DOWN, TONGO,
AND YOU
MAY
LEAVE.



QUESTION
No. 7. Can you name a small but very heavily populated island in the U.S.?

THE NATIVE HUSTLES OUT, BUT A MINUTE LATER...

...AND WE MUST LOCATE THOSE INSTALLATION BASES.

THAT PLANE HAD A RANGE OF 300 MILES... THERE'S AN ISLAND JUST THAT DISTANCE AWAY...

THE WEATHER SHOULD CLEAR TOMORROW. WE'LL SEND OUT A SQUADRON.

THE JAPANESE WILL PAY ME FOR THIS INFORMATION!

PRIMPTLY, THE FOLLOWING MORNING BLUE BOLT APPEARS BEFORE KING BONORO. THE KING AT FIRST COLD, SOON THAWS TO HIS EXPLANATION. BUT...

WILL MY PEOPLE BELIEVE THIS? THEY ARE INDIGNANT AT THE BOMBING.

IF YOU, THEIR KING, TELL THEM OF THIS JAP TRICKERY, THEY'LL BELIEVE IT.

I HAVE A BETTER WAY. SURELY, A SQUADRON WILL GO OUT TO BOMB THE JAP INSTALLATION BASE. PERMIT ME TO ACCOMPANY YOU, AND I WILL REPORT TO MY PEOPLE WHAT I SAW. THAT WILL CONVINCE THEM.

MM.. THAT MAY... WILL YOU COME WITH ME?

LATER... AN AIRCRAFT CARRIER! I HAD NO IDEA WE WOULD START FROM HERE, WHEN WE LEFT MY ISLAND. WILL THE CARRIER REMAIN HERE LONG?

SORRY, YOUR MAJESTY. WE CAN'T REVEAL THAT TO YOU.

I UNDERSTAND. I AM HONORED THAT I AM PERMITTED TO GO WITH THE SQUADRON. CIGARETTE?

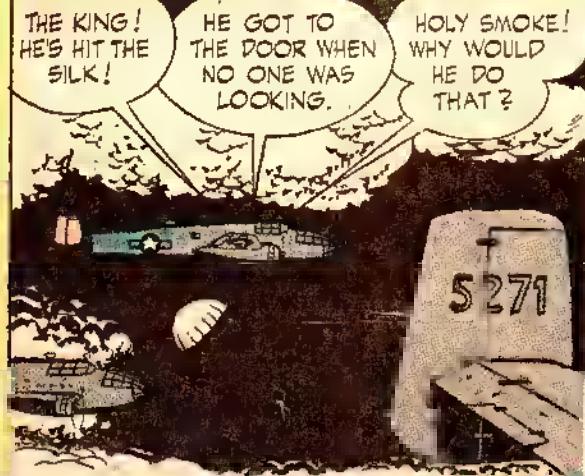
WE'RE READY TO TAKE OFF!

O.K., CHARLEY!

(3)

ANSWER
No. 7. Manhattan Island (part of New York City).

BOMBERS ROAR TOWARD THE JAP BASE. THEN, SUDDENLY, A STRANGE THING HAPPENS!



THE QUESTION IS UNANSWERED, FOR IN A SPLIT SECOND...



ANOTHER HIT!

WE'RE DRIVING THEM OFF!

THEN-- STRAIGHT TO THE TARGET!



CON THE RETURN TRIP...



SURE! THAT'S WHY THOSE ZERO'S WERE WAITING FOR US! HE TIPPED THEM OFF!

IT DOESN'T ADD UP. SOMETHING FUNNY ABOUT THAT KING.

DBACK AT THE EMBASSY, AS BLUE BOLT MAKES HIS REPORT...

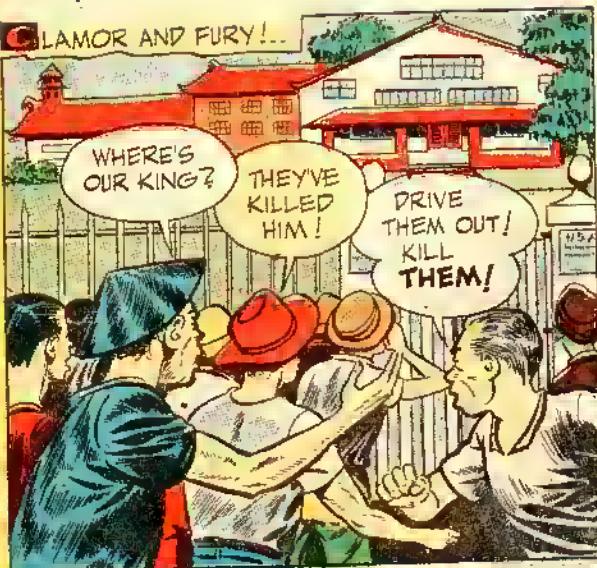
BLUE BOLT! A CROWD OF ANGRY NATIVES ARE ON THEIR WAY HERE! THEY'RE ASKING FOR THE KING!

GREAT SCOTT! WE'VE GOT TO HOLD THEM SOMEHOW!



QUESTION No. 8. Was the king beheaded in The French Revolution, Louis XIV, XV, or XVI?

CLAMOR AND FURY!



BLUE BOLT TAKES A BOLD STEP.

PEOPLE! LISTEN TO ME! WE HAVE NOT HARMED YOUR KING! GIVE US TIME AND WE WILL RETURN HIM SAFELY!

THE AMERICAN LIES!

WAIT! LET US GIVE HIM A CHANCE-- UNTIL MIDNIGHT TONIGHT!

GOSH, WE CAN'T PRODUCE THE KING BY MIDNIGHT.

OUR ONE CHANCE IS TO TRY TO ESCAPE.

SAY, WAIT A MINUTE! THIS CIGARETTE THE KING GAVE ME! IT'S...

DON'T TELL ME! YOU'VE FOUND THE KING IN IT.



IT'S OF JAPANESE MAKE! THE KING SMOKES ONLY AN AMERICAN BRAND! THAT MAN WHO GAVE IT TO ME ON THE CARRIER WAS NOT THE KING! HE WAS A JAP POSING AS BONORO!

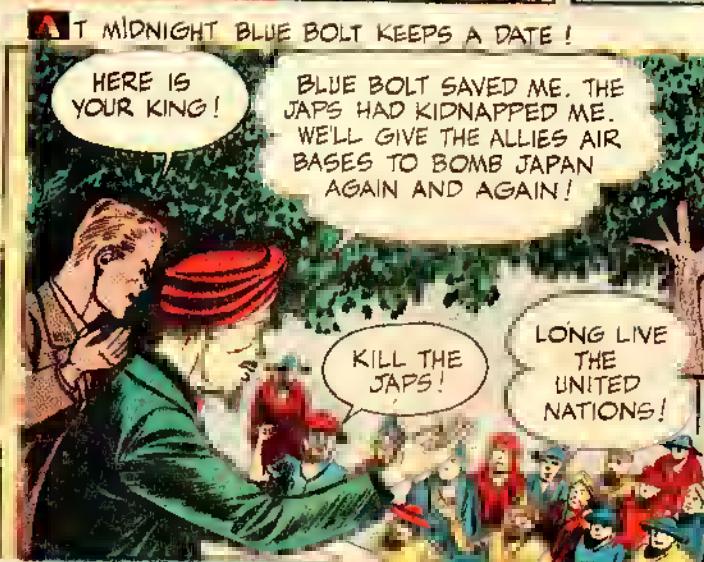
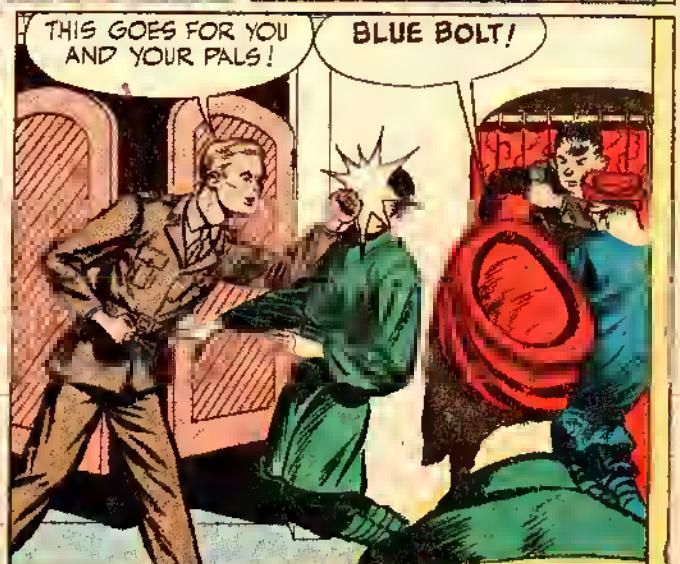
GREAT SCOTT, THAT EXPLAINS HIS STRANGE ACTIONS!

THEN WHERE IS BONORO?

KIDNAPPED! SOMEONE MUST HAVE TIPPED THE JAPS OFF! COME ON! WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO!



Louis XVI and his queen Marie Antoinette were executed.
A NSWER No. 8.

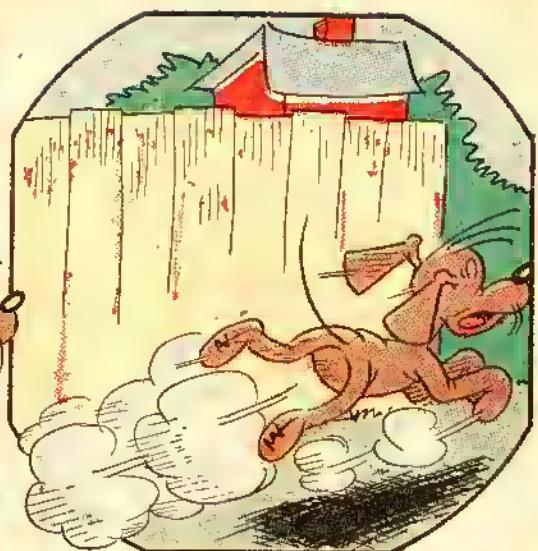
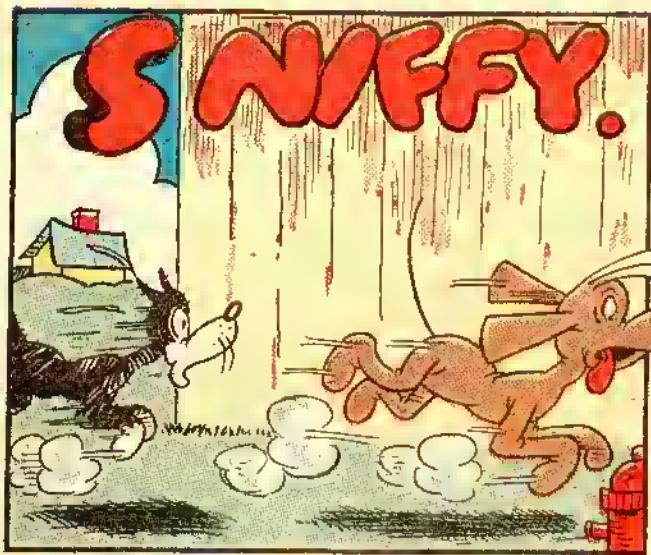


JOIN THE ROMP THROUGH LAUGHTER LAND
WITH THE FRISKY FABLES BAND.

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DON'T MISS FRISKY FABLES FOR
THE BEST IN COMIC ENTERTAINMENT.

Krisko and Jasper

WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE? WHY,
JASPER AND KRISKO DON'T LOOK LIKE THEIR
USUAL SLOPPY SELVES AT ALL! THE REASON IS--
TONIGHT'S THE NIGHT OF THE
CORN GROWER'S BALL!!

WELL, HECKFIRE, A FELLOW'S
GOTTA PUT ON A LITTLE DOG
IF HE LOOKS TIGIT A POTNER
T'DANCE WITH!

YOU COULDN'T DANCE
ON A RED HOT
SKILLET (GASP)--JUS'
WATCH ME TIGHT,
IF Y'WANNA SEE
SOME FANCY FOOT-
WORK!

MY HAIR'S BOUND
T'STAY DOWN NOW, DERN
IT--IT'S PRACTICALLY SEE-
MENTED! HOW OO I LOOK,
POTNER?

HOW SHOULD I
KNOW? YOU SMELL
SO STRONG, THAT I
CAN'T GIT CLOSE
ENOUGH FOR
A LOOK--!

ART BY
JACK KAREN

A FEW MOMENTS LATER-- THE FAMOUS MOVING
VAN CREAKS TO A STOP BEFORE THE BIGGEST
BARN IN THE COUNTY---

HOT ZIGGITY! THIS
SHORE SOUNDS
LIKE THE REAL
MCCOY!

POP! GOES THE
WEA-ZEL J.P.

YEP, BUT IT
LOOKS A LITTLE
CORNY
FROM HERE--

MINNESOTA ANNUAL
CORN GROWERS'
BALL
JITTERBUG CONTEST
AT MIDNIGHT

C'MON, JASPER!
LET'S WALK IN LIKE
GENTLEMEN FER ONCE!
WHAT'S EATIN' YUH?

AW, SH-SHUCKS--I
GUSS I GOT A LITTLE
STAGE FRIGHT! I FEEL
LIKE I DID AT MY
FUS' DANCE!

HA HA
YIP-EE
HA
HA-HA

OOOO!!
MORE MEN!
COME HERE--
SHORT, FAT,
AND CUTE!

G-G-G-GOSH!--
QUITE A RECEPTION!

HEY!
POP! GOES THE
WEA-ZEL!
HA HA HA

LAUGH AT THE DROLLEY FOUND BETWEEN
THE COVERS OF FRISKY FABLES.

WEAVE YOUR POTNERS--IN AND OUT!

YEOW, MY TOE!

SWISH

HELP!

SO THIS IS WHY THEY CALL
THIS DERN THING TH' CORN
GROWER'S BALL--MY FEET'S
GROWIN' SOME ALREADY!

ME, TOO, MATEY! I
FEEL LIKE A FUGITIVE
FROM A CHAIN GANG!

LADIES ON THE OUTSIDE--
GENTS IN THE CENTER!

MIGHT AS WELL TRY IT AGAIN!
--THIS TIME WE MIGHT GET A
PARTY GAL TDANCE WITH!

YOU FLATTERER, YOU!

CIRCLE
ALL!

I AIN'T SO
OPTIMISTIC--
THAR'S TWENTY
WALLFLOWERS FER
EVERY GOOD-LOOKER!

TRouble IS--THESE
WALLFLOWERS DON'T
STAY ON THE WALL!

WHY, YOU CUTE LITTLE
MAN! WHERE HAVE YOU
BEEN ALL EVENING?

ALL MEN RIGHT!

JUS' MY LUCK! ONE MORE
STEP, AN' SHE'D A BEEN
MY POTNER!

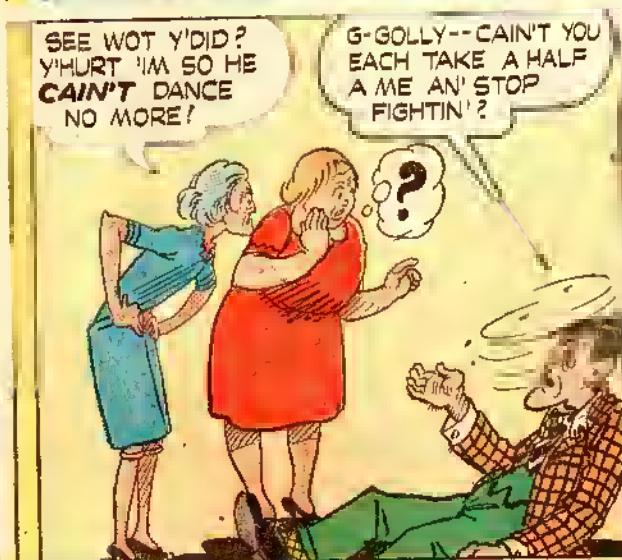
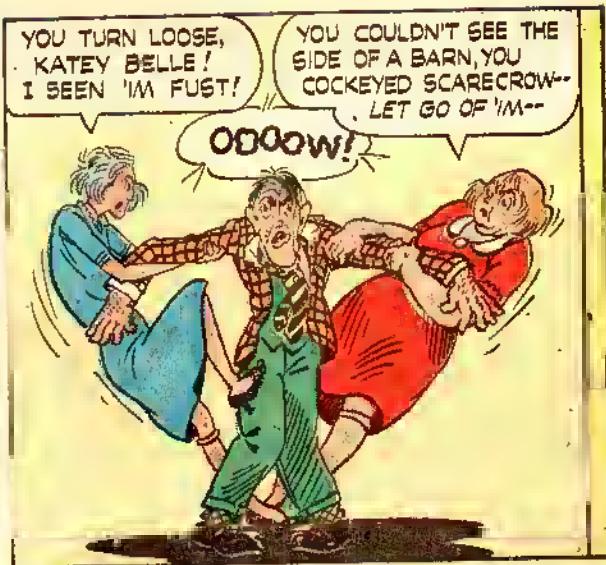
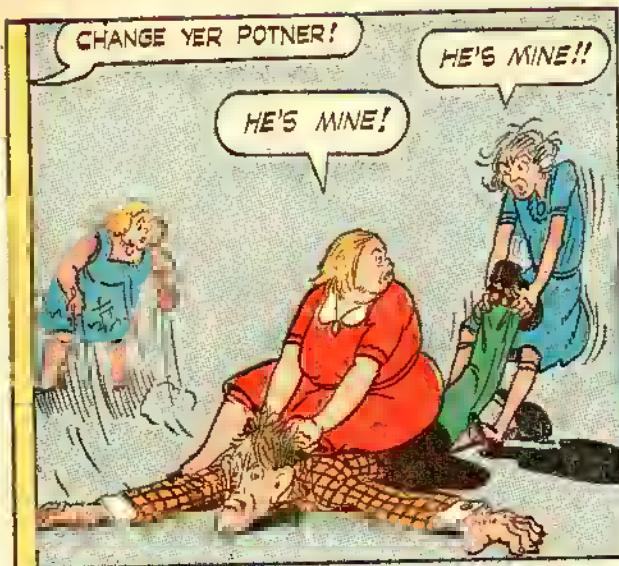
YOU'RE SUCH A
DEVINE DANCER!
WILL YOU BE MY
PARTNER FOR THE
CONTEST?

WOT D'YOU SAY, MA'AM?
I CAIN'T HEAR YUH!

I SAID YOU'RE SUCH A
DEEVINE DANCER--
I WANT YOU FOR MY
PARTNER IN THE JITTER-
BIG CONTEST!

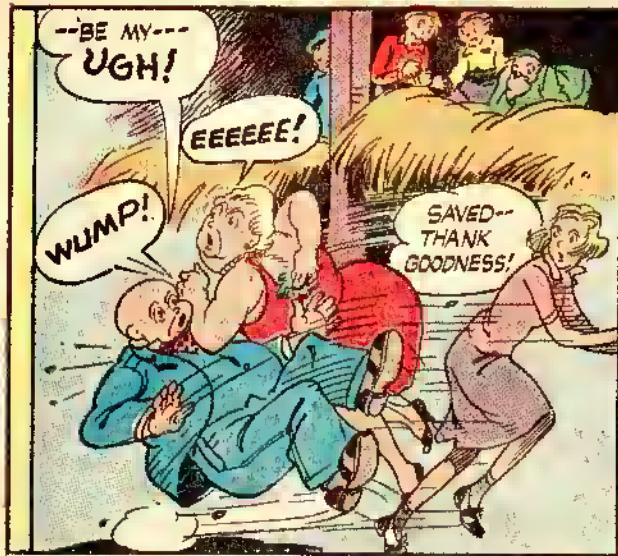
CASEY WOULD
WALTZ WITH THE
STRAWBERRY
BLOND EGG

QUESTION
No. 5. Portions of what states are included in the Corn Belt?



Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, S. Dakota, Missouri, Kansas.

A NSWER
No. 5.



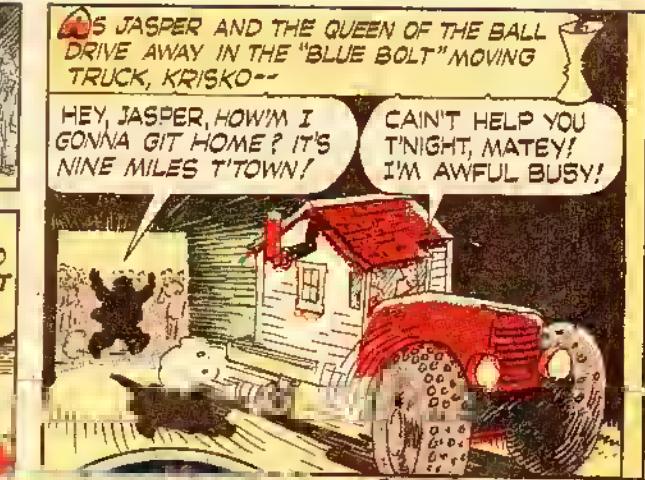
QUESTION No. 6. What song is being played in picture 4?





YOU'RE A WONDERFUL DANCER! WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE ME HOME NOW? YOU'RE ENTITLED TO ANOTHER KISS ON MY DOORSTEP!

GOSH, MA'AM -- I JUST WISH YOU HAD ABOUT A HUNNERT DOORSTEPS!

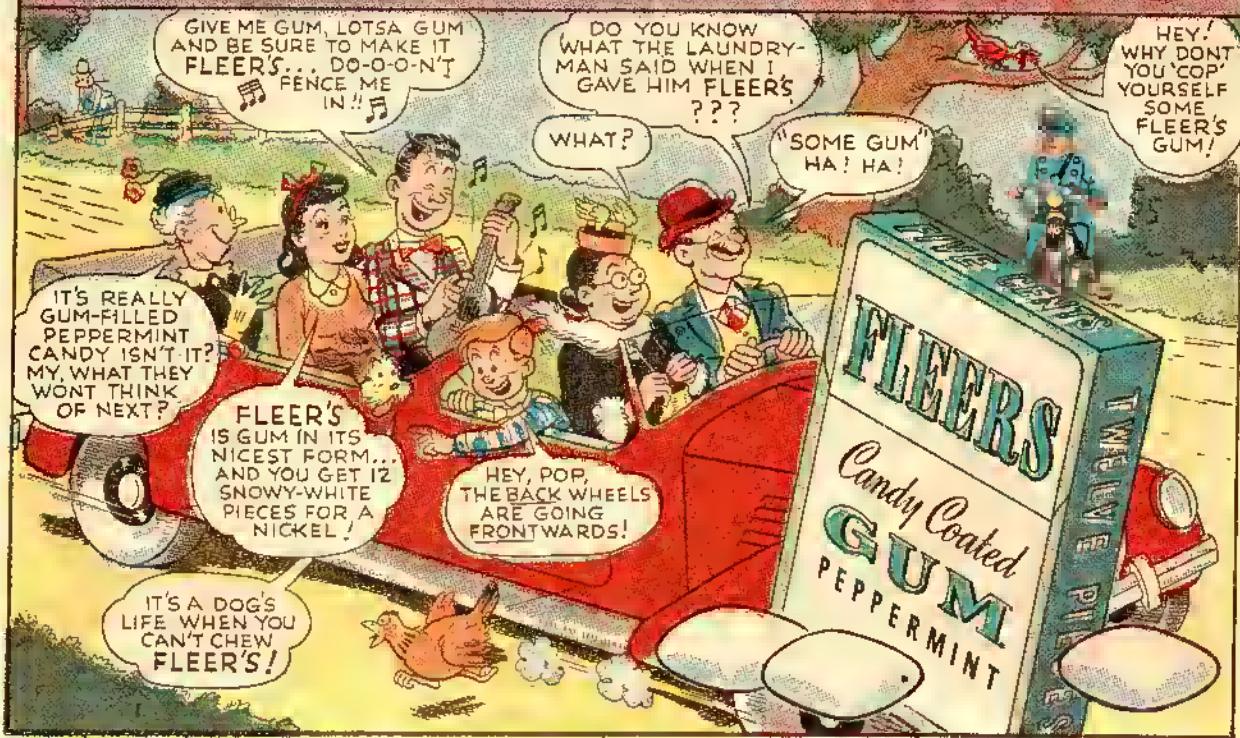


SO--ALL POOR KRISKO CAME OFF WITH IS A PAIR OF SORE DOGS AND A FEW CORNS FOR SOUVENIRS! HOWEVER, THE BOYS DO GET TOGETHER AGAIN IN TIME FOR A NEW ADVENTURE NEXT ISSUE!

DON'T MISS IT, FOLKS!

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ALL IN FLAVOR... SAY FLEER'S



FEARIES FEELERS

By JOE DONOTTO

VOTE



COME ON! THE CHIEF IS OUR FRIEND-- HE SAID TO DROP IN ANY TIME!

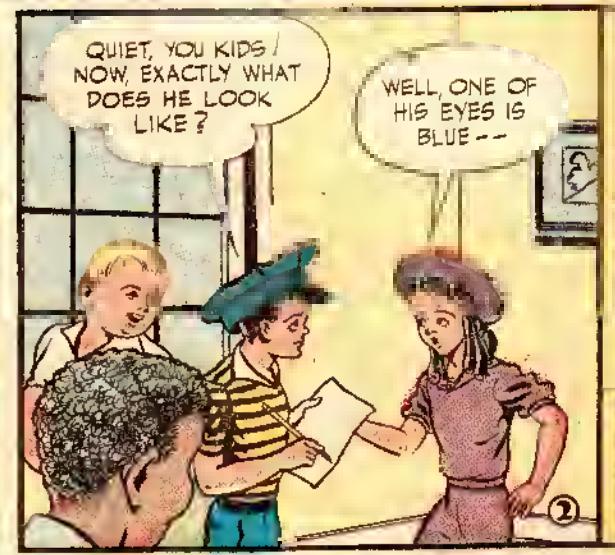
POLICE STATION

WELL, KIDS, THE CHIEF IS BUSY RIGHT NOW-- WANT TO WAIT IN HIS OFFICE?

YES, SIR!

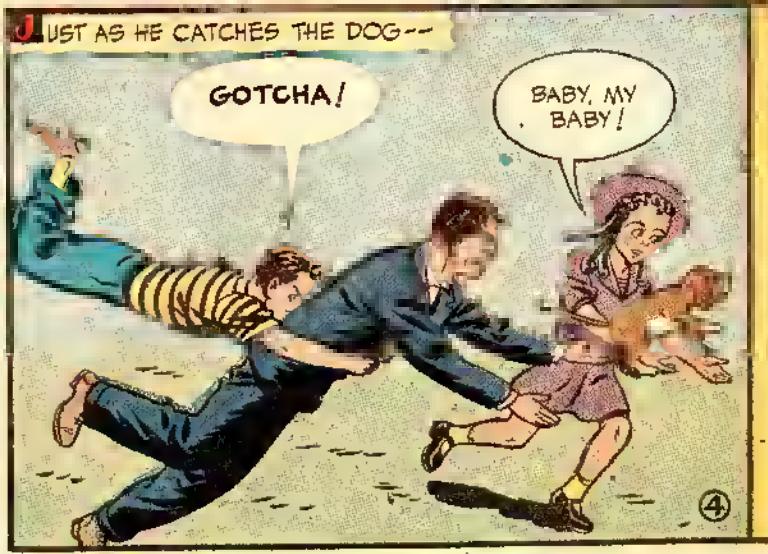
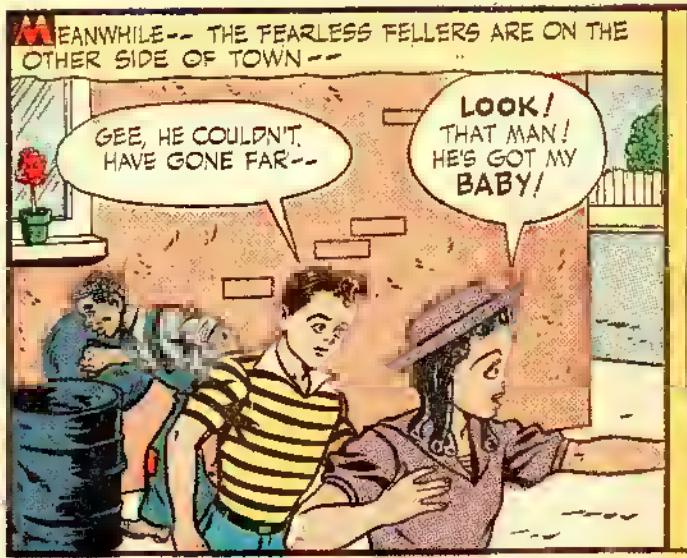
POLICE CHIEF

READ FRISKY FABLES FOR BIGGER AND BETTER CHUCKLES.



QUESTION
No. 9. What detective in fiction had an assistant named Watson?





QUESTION
No. 10. What work, connected with dog days, sounds sirius?

A POLICE CAR SCREECHES TO A STOP--

BABY! MY BABY!

GOSH! THERE'S
TOO MANY
BABIES!

WELL FELLERS,
YOU DID SOME
FINE POLICE
WORK--



I WAS SO
WORRIED,
BABY--

ME, TOO!

SO, RED, YOU'VE TAKEN
TO KIDNAPPING
LITTLE GIRLS!

NO, SIR-- HE
ONLY STOLE
THE DOG--
WE HAD
BABY--

THAT'S RIGHT
AN' HE'S A
REAL, LIVE
DETECTIVE!



MRS. DE PEYSTER, THESE
KIDS HAVE DONE A GREAT
JOB. THIS MAN IS WANTED.
HE POSES AS A DOG
CATCHER-- STEALS
EXPENSIVE DOGS AND
SELLS THEM--

OH, YOU
WONDERFUL
CHILDREN!
I'M GOING
TO REWARD
YOU!

OH, BABY!
WHEN I GROW
UP I'M GONNA
BE A
DETECTIVE!

YOU'D BETTER NOT!
YOU ALMOST GOT US
ALL PUT IN JAIL!

YEAH! AN'
DON'T SAY
BABY!





"SALHEEDAH, El Captain!"

Little Akhib bowed low and squatted on the mat just inside his father's tent.

"I tell you, El Captain, Akhib did not really lie. Akhib does not know where the missing egg is now. That indeed is true!"

El Captain's steely eyes stared sternly. Akhib felt very guilty and very uncomfortable. But like all desert Arabs, he was quite able to argue.

"For you, El Captain, it was easy to tell the truth. For poor little Akhib, it is easier not to."

Still those piercing eyes did not flicker, nor the firm mouth move. How could they? El Captain was only a picture—a picture of General George Washington. Under the picture, in letters which of course the boy could not read, were printed the English words:

MOUNT VERNON COOKIE ASSORTMENT

When the American soldiers passed through North Africa, Akhib, like all his people, had quickly learned to trade. He discovered that for a cup of goat's milk, these white-faced foreigners would give him cookies. An egg would bring him a candy bar or a handful of precious sugar lumps.

One day, when no more eggs remained in the egg-basket, Akhib quietly slipped one from beneath his mother's setting-hen. He took it to a jolly-looking soldier called Barney.

"Is it fresh?" the soldier demanded. Akhib shook his head

vigorously up and down. After he got his candy bar, he skipped off across the desert, his bare feet gleaming in the sun.

Next day he approached Barney with another egg from the setting-hen's nest.

"Hey, you," boomed the soldier, "I thought you said that egg was fresh!"

Akhib wanted to run away. But Barney marched him into a tidy Army tent instead. He showed the boy a box with a beautiful colored-picture on its lid.

"Know that man?" the soldier demanded.

Akhib nodded. "El Captain?" he guessed.

"You're right, boy. A general if there ever was one! Here's what made him great: No matter what happened, El Captain never told a lie. Take his picture home so he can always remind YOU to tell the truth."

Every time Akhib looked at the picture after that, he felt ashamed for giving the soldier a spoiled egg. And now El Captain had made him uncomfortable again. Once more he had told a lie.

In due time five chicks hatched from five precious eggs. The sixth was not to be found.

"Do you know where the other egg has gone?" the boy's mother asked. He shifted from one bare foot to another.

"No," he said at last, "Akhib does not know."

The boy looked up. From the tent-pole El Captain stared down at him very sternly. Akhib tried to escape that accusing stare. But it followed him even when he

pulled his sleeping mat over his head.

At last, in desperation, the boy stood up and saluted the stern-faced picture.

"Very well, El Captain. For just one day Akhib will try your truth-telling. But it will only mean the switch for me. You will see."

Before he could change his mind once more, Akhib ran straight to his mother. She was patiently grinding barley into meal. She looked up in surprise. The boy braced himself and said:

"Akhib is not like El Captain. Akhib is afraid to tell the truth. Akhib took the egg from the nest to get sweets from the soldier. Then all the time El Captain frown. Akhib is not happy anymore."

The boy looked at his mother's face. She did not look at him. She only said:

"Fetch yonder stout branch from the woodpile."

Akhib trembled. So this was what came of truth-telling. As he thought. A switching!

"Now break it up," said his mother, "and set the fire so I may cook your supper."

Akhib gulped. "But, Mother. The stolen egg!" His mother looked up now.

"I knew you took the egg, my son. It was your lie that hurt. Rather I should have the eggs hatch out one truthful son than all the chicks in the world."

Once more Akhib bowed low to General Washington.

"Salheekah, you are right, El Captain. To speak the truth is best. I will not lie again."

THE END

Sergeant Spook

DOWN TO THE SEA
IN A SQUARE RIGGED
SHIP GO JERRY AND
SERGEANT SPOOK
TO HELP SEAMAN
GENTRY KEEP HIS
PROMISE TO THE
GIRL HE LOVES...



NIGHT---AND
SPOOK TAKES JERRY
OVER ONE OF HIS
FORMER BEATS....

THE
WATER FRONT,
JERRY---LIFE
IN THE ROUGH--
LOVE, HATE, GREED
AND COURAGE--ALL
MIXED TOGETHER!

GEE! CAN WE
LOOK AROUND,
SPOOK?

THAT'S THE
"CELESTE"--
USED TO CARRY
GRAIN AROUND
THE HORN--NOW
IT TRANSPORTS
LUMBER ON THE
COAST!

SPOOK--
LISTEN!
DO YOU
HEAR
someone
TALKING?



LIKE WHODONITS?? READ YOUNG KING COLE!

IN THE SHADOWS...
JUST THIS ONE TRIP,
MILICENT-- THEN I
GET MY MASTER'S
PAPERS-- AND A SHIP
OF MY OWN!

GUESS WE KIND
OF INTRUDED, SPOOK!

YEAH! BUT WE
CAN SEE AS
MUCH WATER
FRONT LIFE IN THE
"ANCHOR BEND"!

MATE--THE WAY
THAT LAD TALKS TO
HIMSELF HE MUST
HAVE MONEY IN
THS BANK--

OH, BRAM!
HOW WONDERFUL!
WE'VE WAITED
SO LONG TO
BE MARRIED!

AS SPOOK
AND JERRY
APPROACH
THE CAFE,
JOHN RICKER,
SON OF THE
OWNER OF
THE 'CELESTE',
AND HANS
MULLER, HER
FIRST MATE,
MEET AT A
TABLE.

YOU MAVS A CERTAIN
BRAM GENTRY IN YOUR
CREW, MULLER-- I
CALLSD YOU HSR
TO TALK ABOUT HIM.

YES-- HS'S
ABOUT TO
GET HIS
MASTER'S
PAPRS!

PHEW! THIS PLACS
DOSSN'T APPEAL TO
ME, SPOOK!

WE'LL SIT OUT OF
THS WAY TO WATCH!
THERS'S AN EMPTY
BOOTH.

I'M IN LOVE WITH MILICENT,
FRISNO--BUT SHE'S SNGAGSD
TO BRAM GENTRY! NOW--IF HE
SHOULD FAIL TO RETURN--

SPOOK! BRAM!
MILICENT!
THE TWO ON
THE WHARF!

YES--
I
HEARD!

JERRY, WE'VE GOT TO
STOP THAT DIRTY WORK!
WE'VE GOT TO WARN GENTRY!

RIGHT! AND
LOOK-- THEY'RE
LEAVING!

THEY RUSH OUTSIDE--BUT THE TWO ARE GONE!

WE'VE LOST 'EM--
AND WE DON'T
KNOW WHO THEY
ARE!

I RECOGNIZSD JOHN
RICKER, BUT THS OTHER
ONE-- JERRY, WE'RE TAKING
THAT CRUISE!

QUESTION
No. 11. Give three synonyms for "wharf".

BECAUSE OF A SHORTAGE OF SEAMEN, JERRY FINDS IT EASY TO SHIP AS CABIN BOY....

YOU'LL TAKE YOUR ORDERS FROM MR. MULLER, LAD!

LOOK, YOU!
ON THIS SHIP
YOU SAY "AYE, SIR,"
NOT "YES, SIR!"

Y-YES, SIR!
I MEAN--
AYE, AYE,
SIR!

NO, SPOOK!
NO! DON'T!

SPOOK?
ARE YOU
MAKING
FUN OF ME?
YOU YOUNG
PUNK!

YES,
SIR!

COME
WITH ME,
BOY!

SAY, THAT'S
GOING TOO
FAR!

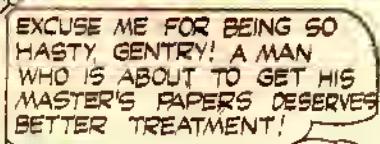
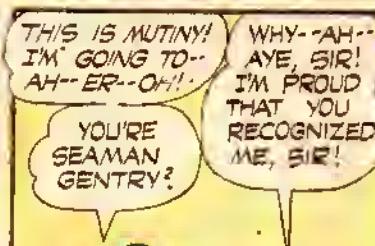
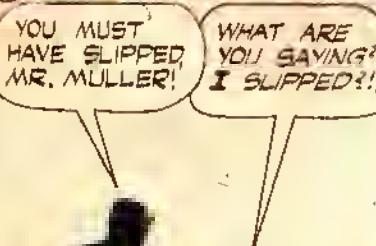
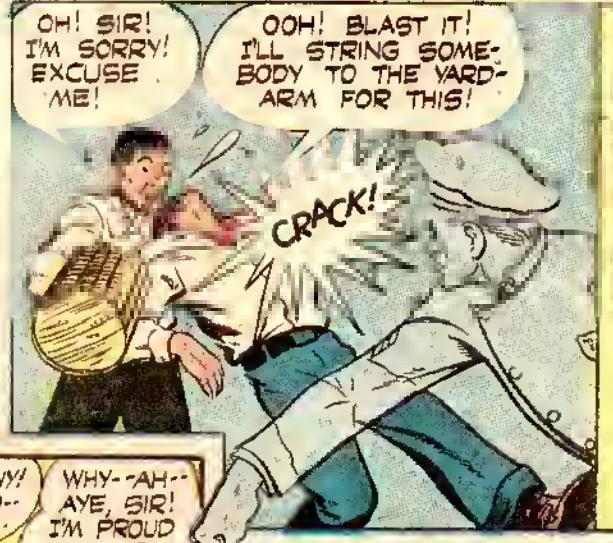
I DEMAND
DISCIPLINE
ON THIS
SHIP!

OW-W!

BROTHER--
YOU'RE
IN FOR A
SURPRISE!

OH! SIR!
I'M SORRY!
EXCUSE
ME!

OOH! BLAST IT!
I'LL STRING SOME-
BODY TO THE YARD-
ARM FOR THIS!



WHEN WE'VE SHIPPED OUT--
SAY WHEN YOU'RE ON NIGHT
WATCH, I'LL GIVE YOU SOME
POINTERS FOR YOUR EXAM!

THANK
YOU, SIR!
THAT'LL
BE A
GREAT
HELP!

WHAT DO
YOU MAKE
OF THAT,
SPOOK?

I THINK WE'VE
FOUND THE INTENDED
KILLER! WELL HAVE
TO BE CAREFUL
FROM NOW ON!

HER SAILS FULL BEFORE A FRESH
BREEZE, THE 'CELESTE' RIDES THE
BRINY SWELLS LIKE A GRACEFUL SWAN.

BUT JERRY'S LIFE IS
NO BED OF ROSES--

AN HOUR AFTER
MIDNIGHT--

WHEW!
I SURE
TOOK ON
A JOB,
SPOOK!

WISH I COULD
HELP YOU,
JERRY, BUT
I'VE GOT TO
WATCH MULLER:
HE ORDERED
GENTRY TO THE
WHEEL TONIGHT!

I CAN'T
KEEP AWAKE,
SPOOK! WHAT
IF---

SHH! HERE
COMES
MULLER,
NOW!



OH! GOOD
MORNING, SIR!

I'VE COME TO DISCUSS
YOUR COMING EXAMS--
AS I PROMISED TO DO!

UNSEEN
BY GENTRY,
MULLER
LIFTS A
BELAYING
PIN--

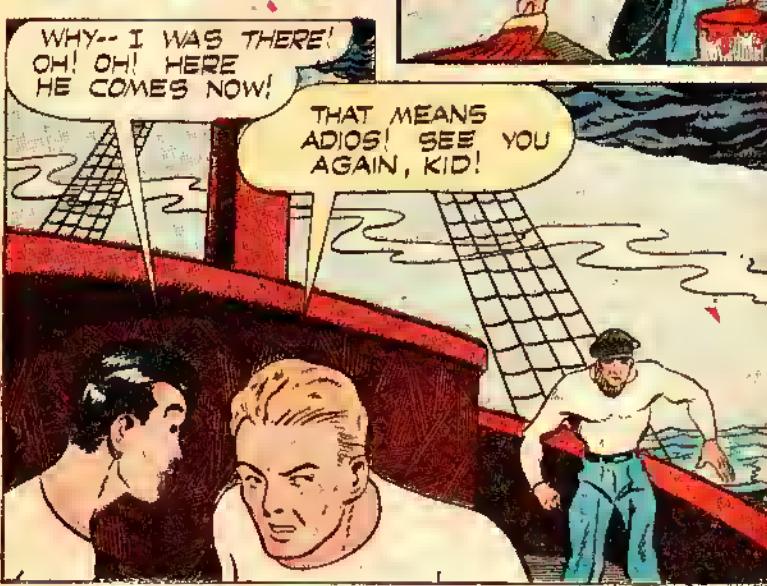
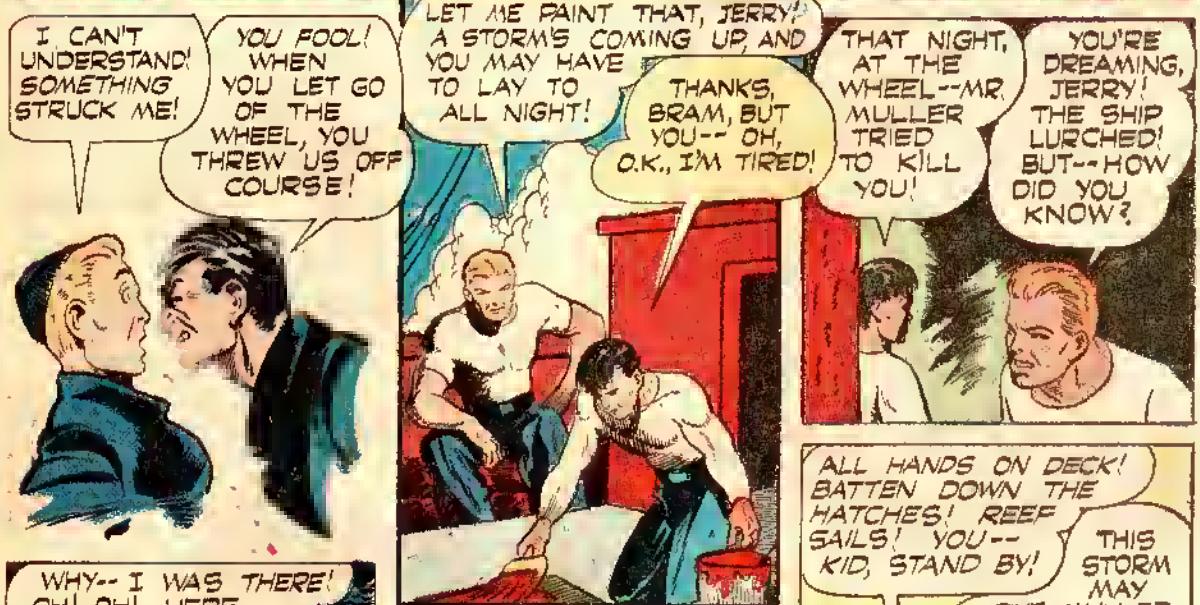
THIS
IS IT,
JERRY!



QUESTION
No. 12. Aboard ship, how long is a "watch"?



AS THE DAYS PASS, JERRY AND BRAM BECOME FRIENDS.



ALL HANDS ON DECK!
BATTEN DOWN THE
HATCHES! REEF
SAILS! YOU--
KID, STAND BY!

THIS
STORM
MAY
GIVE MULLER
HIS OPPORTUNITY,
JERRY!



A watch is usually four hours long.

ANSWER
No. 12

THE STORM BREAKS!

THIS'LL BE
A BAD ONE,
MR. MULLER!
BEST YOU KEEP
THE MEN
MOVING ! .

WE'RE
BADLY
SHORT-HANDED,
SIR--! I OUGHT
TO GO ALOFT
AND GIVE A
HAND!

ALL MEN
ALOFT TO
YOUR STATIONS!

THAT MEANS
ME, SPOOK!

STALL
AS MUCH
AS YOU
CAN--SAVE ME
A PLACE NEXT
TO GENTRY!

HERE'S
MULLER'S
OPPORTUNITY!

YOU WERE
ORDERED
ALOFT!
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
HERE?

I WANT
NO YELLOW
LIVERS ON
BOARD!
UP TO YOUR
STATION!

OW!
YES,
SIR!
HERE
COMES
BRAM,
JERRY--
FOLLOW
HIM!

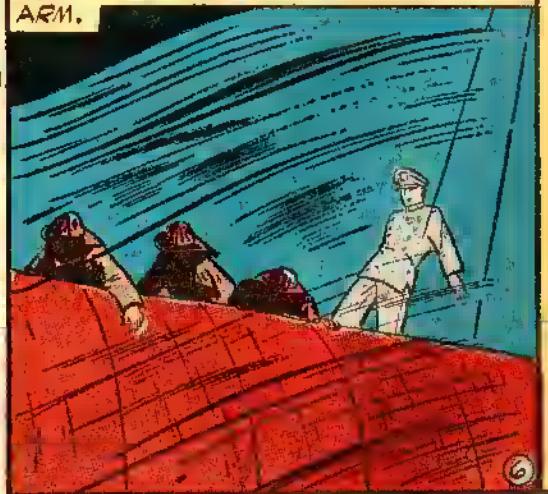
LITTLE DOES BRAM SUSPECT
THAT HE IS LEADING THE
WAY TO HIS OWN DOOM--

OUT OF
MY WAY!

KEEP BACK ENOUGH
TO GIVE ME ROOM,
JERRY!

OKAY,
SPOOK!

FULL IN THE FACE OF THE GALE, THE
MEN MAKE THEIR WAY OUT THE YARD-
ARM.



QUESTION
No. 13. Is a gale a hurricane?

ALL HANDS BEND TO THE TASK
OF REEFING IN THE TOP'S'L--

HEAVE,
MEN!
HEAVE!

GOOD NIGHT! I DIDN'T
EXPECT THIS SO
SOON!!!

NOW!
MR. GENTRY
YOUR TIME
HAS
COME!

MR. MULLER,
SIR! I FEEL
DIZZY! MAY
I GO DOWN,
SIR?

WHAT? YOU?
YES! GET
BELOW!
QUICK!!!

SPOOK!
HURRY! YOU
HAVEN'T A
SECOND TO
LOSE!

I'LL MAKE
IT. OR BE
A DEAD
SPOOK!

GREAT SCOTT!
I'VE MADE
HIM SLIP!

OH! HELP!
I'M FALLING!

NOW DO YOU
BELIEVE ME, BRAM?
IF MULLER'S FOOT
HADN'T SLIPPED---

GREAT
SCOTT!

AFTER THE CRUISE, BRAM AND
MILICENT ARE MARRIED!

BUT, MA'AM--
SOMEONE IS
SITTING HERE!

HUMPH!
SUPERSTITIOUS
SEA PEOPLE!

QUIET,
PLEASE!!
THE
CEREMONY
IS STILL ON!

No, a gale is a strong wind between a stiff breeze and a hurricane.

ANSWER
No. 13.

TRAMP-TRAMP.

RIGHT NOW I WOULDN'T CHANGE PLACES WITH ANY GUY FOR A MILLION DOLLARS.



...SITTING ON A LOG.

HOW ABOUT 5 MILLION DOLLARS?

NOT EVEN FOR 5 MILLION!

I THOUGHT I SAW A NICKEL LAYING ON THE BOTTOM!

FLOP

SPLASH

HISTORY'S MYSTERIES

NO ONE KNOWS THE IDENTITY OF THE MAN IN THE IRON MASK! HE WAS A PRISONER IN FRANCE FOR 22 YEARS, TREATED LIKE ROYALTY BY HIS JAILERS... BUT NO ONE EVER SAW HIS FACE!

MAYBE HE'S THE KING'S HALF-BROTHER WHO TRIED TO CLAIM THE THRONE.

EVERYONE KNOWS THAT FOR RELIEVING COUGHS DUE TO COLDS THERE'S NOTHING LIKE SOOTHING, DELICIOUS SMITH BROTHERS COUGH DROPS. THEY TASTE JUST LIKE CANDY!

AND MOTHER SAYS TO BE SURE AND ASK FOR SMITH BROTHERS, NOT JUST COUGH DROPS.



TRADE

SMITH BROTHERS COUGH DROPS
BLACK OR MENTHOL - 5¢



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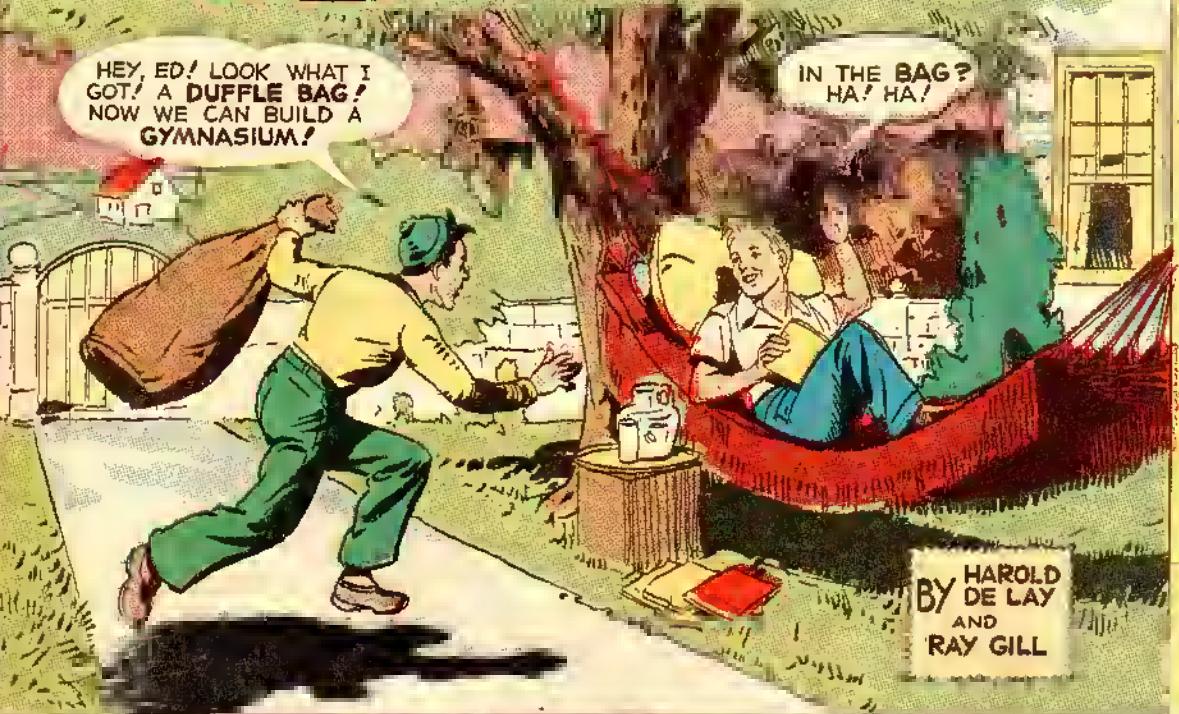
Edison Bell



HEY, ED! LOOK WHAT I GOT! A DUFFLE BAG! NOW WE CAN BUILD A GYMNASIUM!

IN THE BAG?
HA! HA!

BY HAROLD
DE LAY
AND
RAY GILL



NO, WISE GUY! IN THE GARAGE! —WE FILL THE BAG WITH OLD RAGS AND PRESTO! IT'S A PUNCHING BAG!

NOT A BAD IDEA, JERRY. LET'S GO!

SOME TIME LATER... THE GYMNASIUM IS FINISHED AND THE BOYS ARE ABOUT TO TRY IT OUT....



FOR THRILLING ADVENTURE READ YOUNG KING COLE!

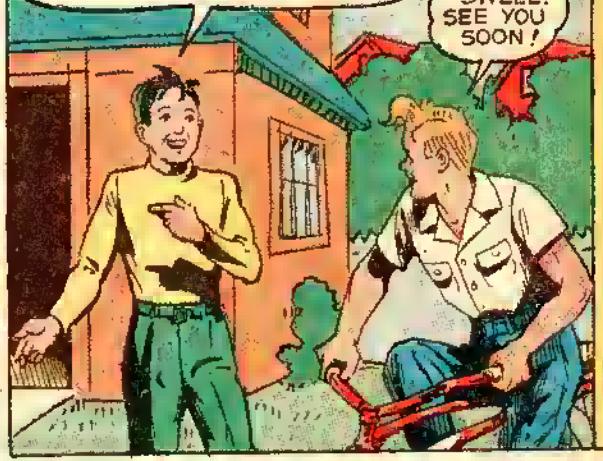
A FEW MINUTES LATER...

MOM GAVE ME A LIST
OF THINGS SHE WANTS
DONE, JERRY... THE
TRYOUT WILL HAVE
TO WAIT...

TOO BAD!

TELL YOU WHAT! I'LL GO HOME
AND GET THAT PHYSICAL TRAINING
BOOK I GOT FOR CHRISTMAS!
WE'LL DO THIS THING RIGHT!

SWELL!
SEE YOU
SOON!



AT JERRY'S HOUSE . . .

WHERE IS THAT
BOOK? IT'S NOT
IN THE TOOL CHEST.
IT'S NOT HERE IN
MY DRAWER!



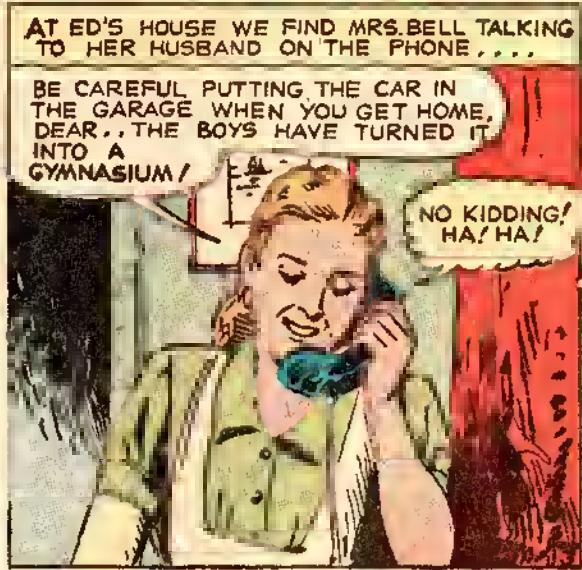
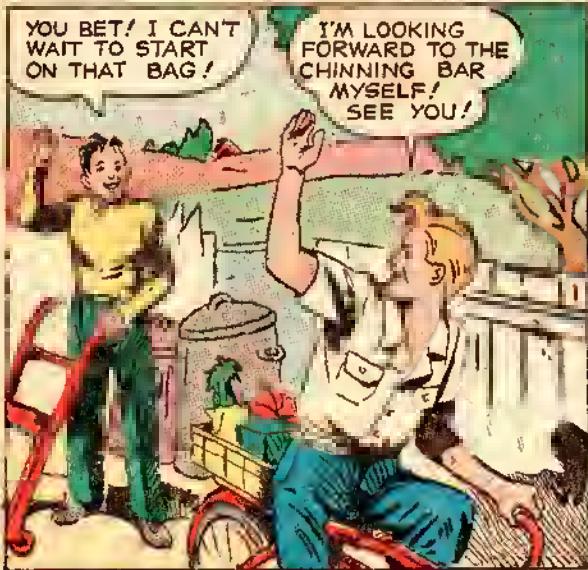
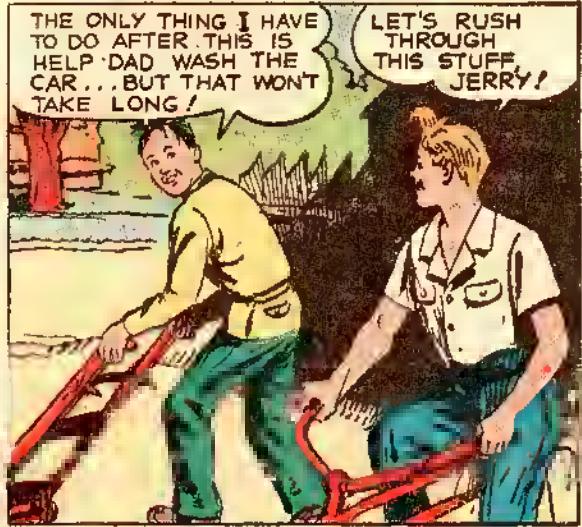
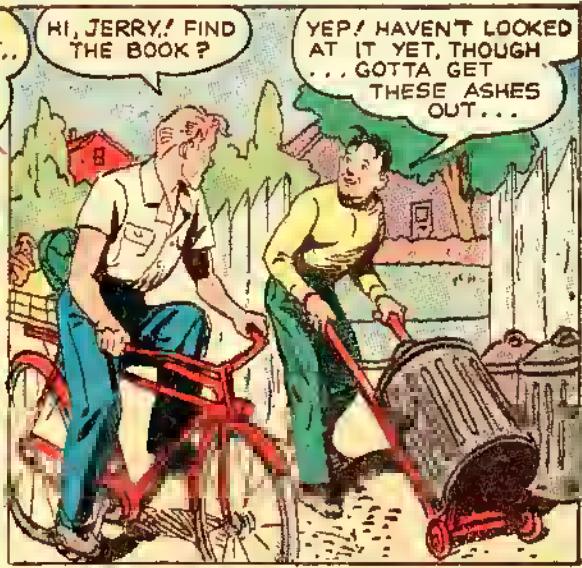
A BOOK? . . .
DID YOU LOOK
IN THE
BOOKCASE?

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TCH! . . . WELL, WHAT
D'YA KNOW!

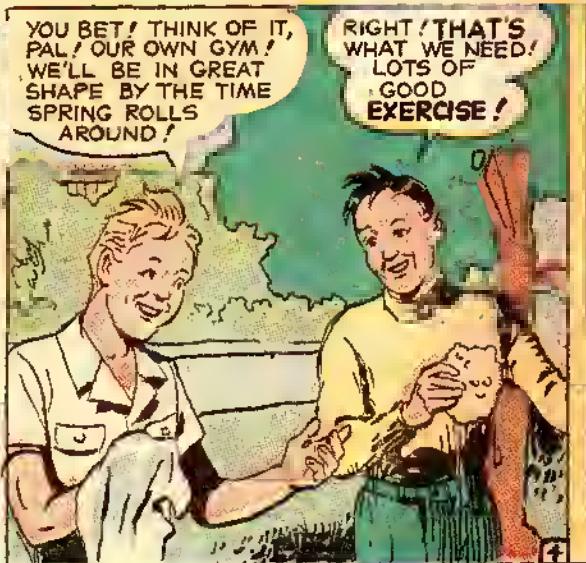
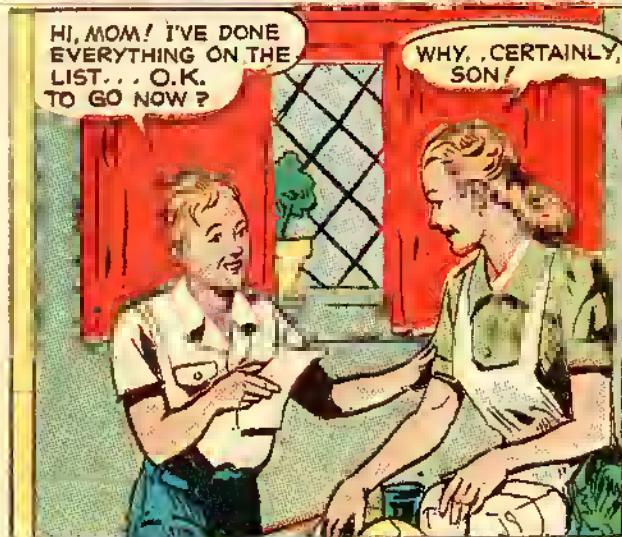


QUESTION
No. 14. Who was Santa Claus?



A NSWER
No. 14

S. L. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, who gave presents on Christmas Eve.



QUESTION
No. 15. Is the earth the largest planet?

FINALLY... THE GYM TEST!

WHAT DO WE DO FIRST, JERRY?

WELL, THE BOOK SAYS TO DO SETTING UP EXERCISES... LET'S GO!

LEG RAISES, EO! LIE ON YOUR BACK ON THE MAT! YMM... FEELS GOOD TO LIE DOWN!

YEAH... (YAWNN) .. IT DOES!

THINK I'LL REST A MINUTE BEFORE WE START...

ME TOO...

A FEW HOURS LATER... AS MR. BELL GOES TO PUT THE CAR AWAY...

THAT SETTLES IT!
I'M RIPPING THAT GYMNASIUM OUT OF THE GARAGE!

WHY, DEAR?
CAN'T YOU GET THE CAR IN?

IT ISN'T THAT! THOSE KIDS HAVE OVERDONE IT ALREADY!... THEY'RE ASLEEP OUT THERE! THEY'VE PROBABLY PASSED OUT FROM OVER EXERCISE!

A
NSWER
No. 15.

No, Jupiter is the largest known planet--Earth is fifth largest.

The End...

Edison Bell's

GARAGE GYMNASIUM

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HERE IS A DOUBLE
BARRELED PROJECT!
THE FUN OF BUILDING
YOUR OWN GYMNASIUM—
PLUS THE UNTOLD BENEFITS
TO BE DERIVED FROM BODY-
BUILDING HEALTHY EXERCISE!

HERE ARE A FEW OF THE
MANY PIECES OF APPARATUS
YOU CAN MAKE
YOURSELF!

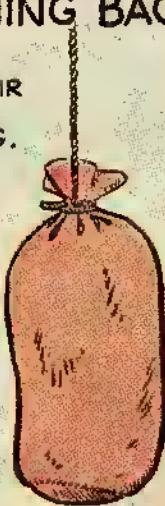
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SAND FILLED PUNCHING BAG



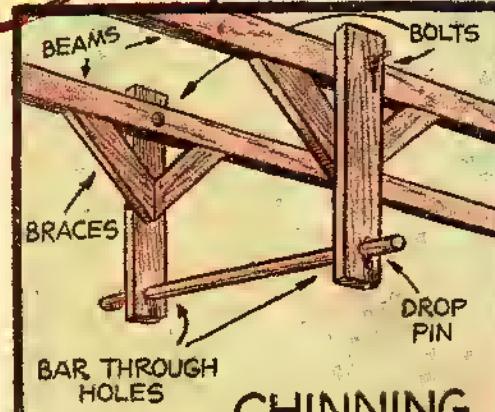
CUT FINGERS
OUT OF OLD PAIR
OF GLOVES
FOR PUNCHING.

FILL A CANVAS BAG WITH
SAND (A DUFFLE BAG OR
A SEA BAG) AND SUSPEND
FROM CEILING BEAM WITH
STRONG ROPE OR CHAIN.
NOT IN PATH OF DAD'S CAR,
HOWEVER—BUT TO ONE SIDE!

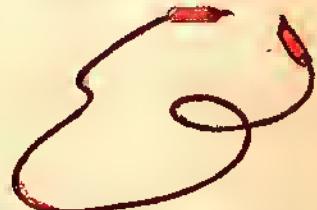


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HE CHINNING BAR,
AT RIGHT, IS MADE
OF A PIECE OF PIPE
OR A STOUT POLE
OF SEASONED HARD-
WOOD. FASTEN BAR
TO GARAGE CEILING
BEAMS AS SHOWN.
BARS SHOULD BE AT
FINGERTIP HEIGHT.
DO NOT SWING ON
BAR—it IS FOR
CHINNING ONLY!



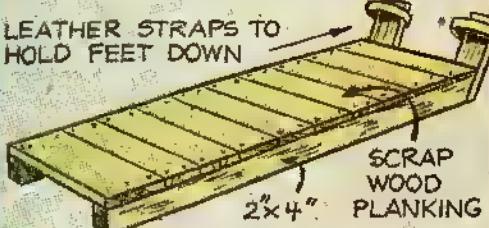
CHINNING BAR



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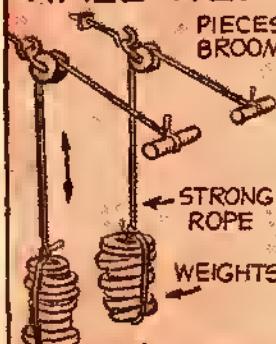
AKE YOURSELF A
SKIPPING ROPE AND
BUILD YOUR LEG
MUSCLES LIKE THE
BOXERS DO!

SIT-UP PLATFORM



TO USE THIS PLATFORM, LIE ON
BACK, HANDS UNDER HEAD, AND
INSERT TOES IN STRAPS. NOW
SIT UP... SLOWLY. A FEW TIMES
AT FIRST, THEN MORE EACH DAY.

WALL WEIGHT MACHINE



IT IS IMPORTANT
TO USE STURDY
PULLEYS, BOLTED TO
WALL UPRIGHTS, IN
THE MAKING OF THIS
TYPICAL GYMNASIUM
GADGET. START WITH
LIGHT WEIGHTS, AND
INCREASE, BIT BY BIT.



THE BETRAYER

BY MILT HAMMER

"HEY, dad, you should have seen it!" Tommy Dolan shouted as he rushed into his father's farmhouse.

"What's all the excitement about, and what did you see?" asked his father, looking up from his newspaper.

"A deer, that's what! And the biggest one I bet that ever came out of the woods."

"Well, what's so strange about a deer in this part of the United States, Tom?"

"But, dad, this deer was tame. He walked right up to me — well, almost; he was about fifty feet away from me."

"Now don't you tease him," said the older man, "or he may harm you."

"Oh, I'm not going to tease him. I want to make friends with him so that he'll visit me daily. Maybe I can make a pet of him."

Mr. Dolan knew that Tom had always been interested in the animals of the woods surrounding the house. Tom fed them and the animals would come back time and again for the tasty morsels offered. Mr. Dolan knew that his son liked his woodland friends better than Ned Fuller, a boy of his own age, who lived five miles down the road. Ned did not appreciate the animals as Tom did, and at times threw stones at them, scaring the timid animals away.

One evening, a week later, Tom came home later than usual. He told his father in an excited voice, "Dad, the deer has come back! He came to the pond for a drink and didn't run when I walked close

to him. I've named him Brownie."

"That's great, son. Perhaps he'll be a steady pal of yours."

However, the father knew that with the approach of the hunting season, the deer would disappear into the woods if he didn't wish to become a decoration for some hunter's wall.

The next afternoon, when Tom entered his living room, his father introduced him to Scoops Johnson, who was a photographer that had been sent to that vicinity to obtain pictures of the interesting forest life around Tom's home. Scoops asked Tom if he would guide him through the dense woodland and acquaint him with the points of interest so that he might take some shots of them.

"Scoops thinks a picture of Brownie and you, feeding him, would make a swell picture for his newspaper's Hunting Page."

That night Tom had a strange nightmare in which Scoops turned out to be a hunter with concealed guns in his camera! Naturally, the following morning, Tom was very much relieved upon awakening; however, this started him to question the intentions of Scoops. What if he were a hunter posing as a photographer?

Nevertheless, Tom guided the photographer through the woods. He also posed with Brownie. Brownie was reluctant at first when he saw the stranger, but after Scoops offered him sweets, Brownie became friendly and followed

the two around like a pet dog.

After saying good-bye to Scoops, Tom returned home.

"What's the trouble, Tom? Weren't you proud of the way Brownie acted? He wasn't camera-shy, was he?" asked his father.

"No, it wasn't anything that Brownie did, but just the way Scoops looked at him when he took his picture. Scoops said he had always wanted to go deer hunting. Gee, if only Brownie hadn't shown up today things might have been better—Scoops wouldn't have seen how friendly Brownie was."

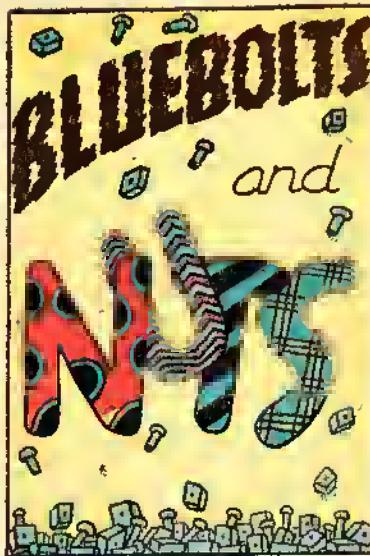
"Scoops met Mr. Fuller and Ned down the road, and they've made plans to go hunting together — I'm afraid they might kill poor Brownie!"

The next day Tom's treatment of Brownie was altogether different than usual. The animal was bewildered at Tom's shooting above his head, chasing him beyond the ridge of the forest by hurling stones at him.

"How could my friend do this to me?" thought Brownie as he disappeared from sight.

Later Tom came home broken hearted to think that he had done this to Brownie.

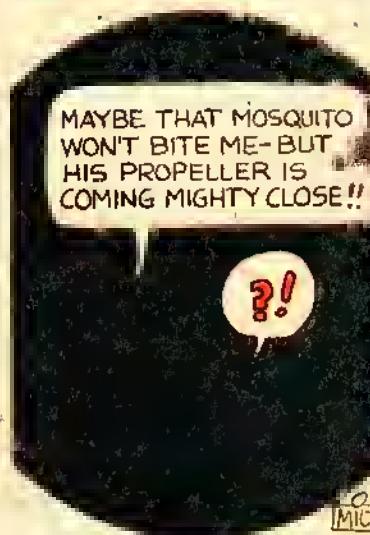
He explained what he had done to the young deer, and his father was astonished, but Tom continued, "I know now that Brownie will never come back to visit me, and I hope he'll never trust another human being again! Folks like the Fullers and Scoops may shoot him if he trusted people like them too much. I had to betray him to save him. He'll always be my Brownie."



TRICKY MATCHBOX

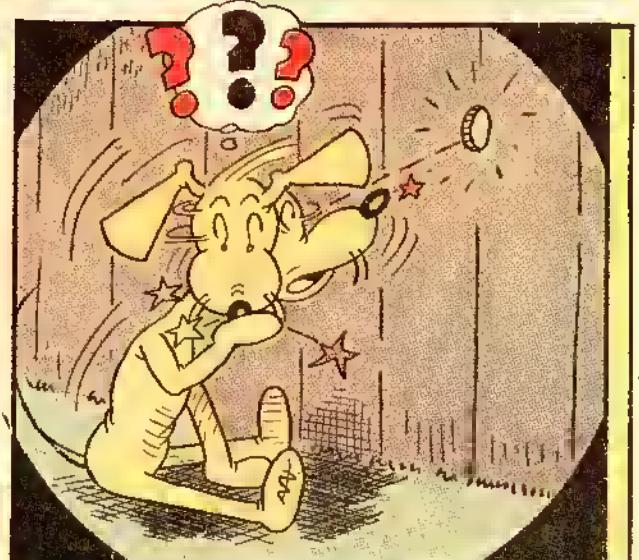
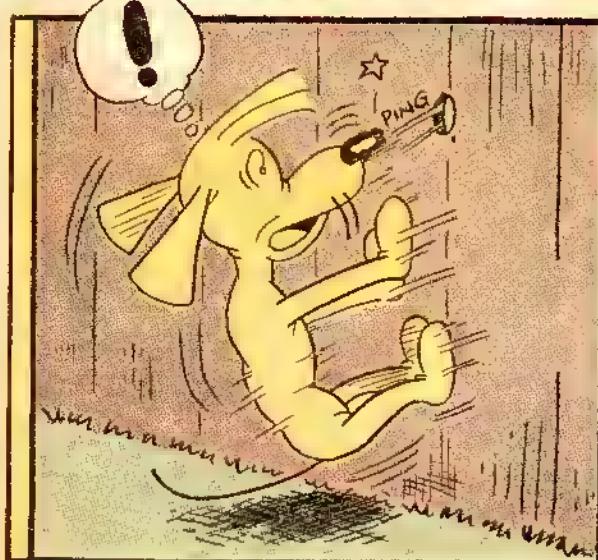
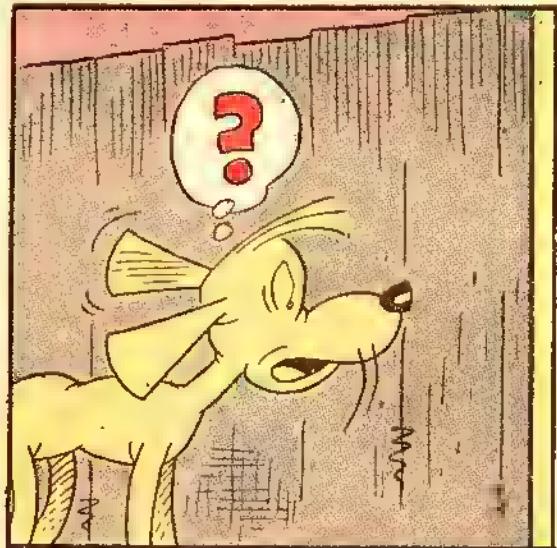
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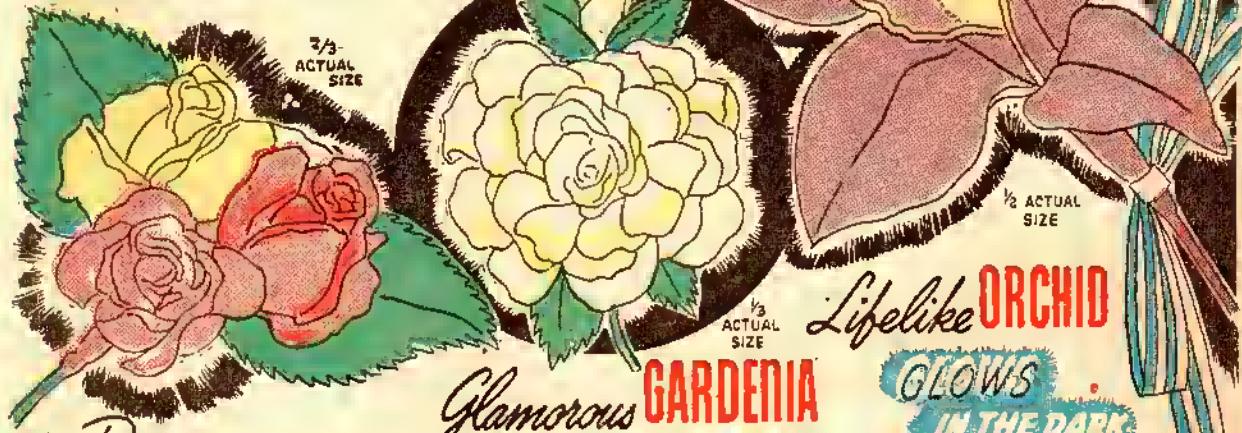


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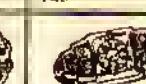
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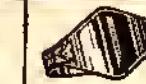
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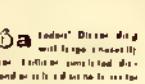
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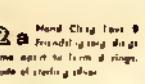
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1a. Ladies' Wedding Band with 7 brilliant simulated diamonds. White gold color effect mounting, or yellow gold color.



2a. Wedding Friendship Ring, 14K yellow gold, bezel mounting, or sterling silver.



3. Friendship Band, yellow or white gold color effect mounting or sterling silver.



4a. Wedding Band, 14K yellow gold, bezel mounting.



5a. Ladies' Solitaire engagement ring matching with brilliant center stone that's hard to tell from a genuine diamond. White gold color effect.



6a. Ladies' ring with green emerald center stone bezel set. White gold color effect.



7a. Ladies' ring with green emerald center stone bezel set. White gold color effect.



8a. Child's ring with three green stones. White gold color effect.



9a. Child's ring with three green stones. White gold color effect.



10a. Child's ring with 14K yellow gold bezel mounting.



11a. Wedding ring, 14K yellow gold bezel mounting.



12a. Men's ring, 14K yellow gold bezel mounting.



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